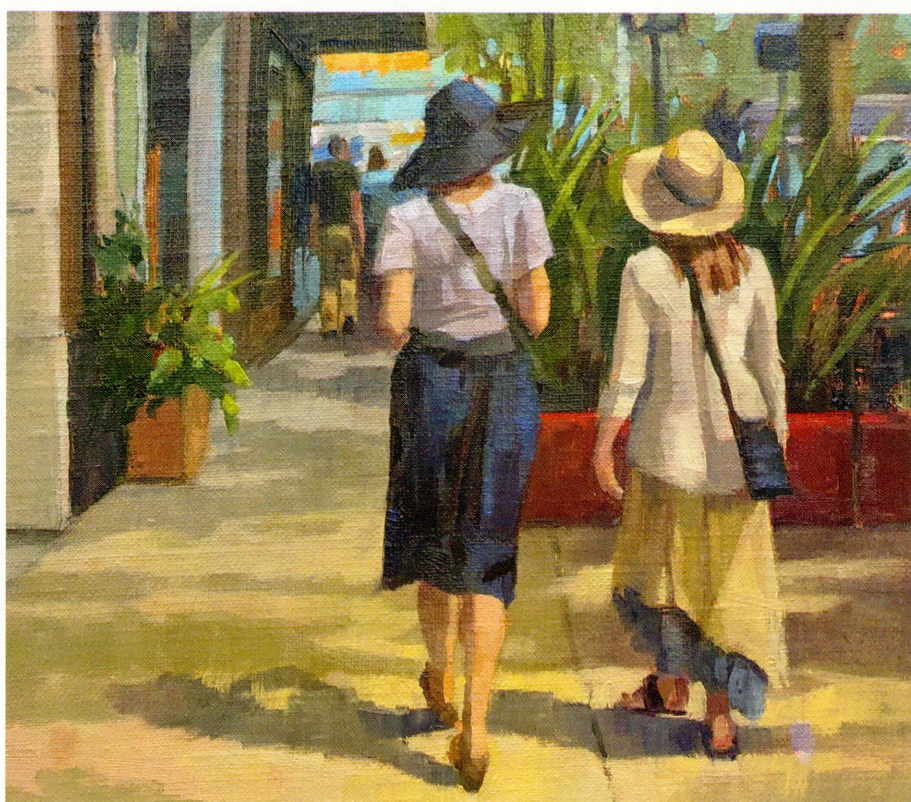
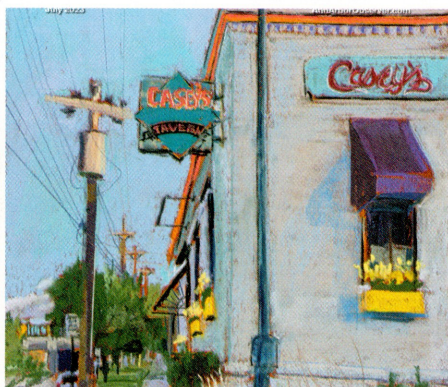
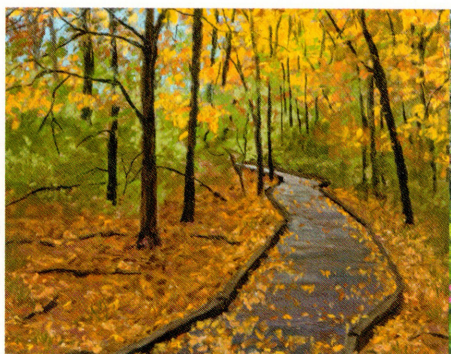




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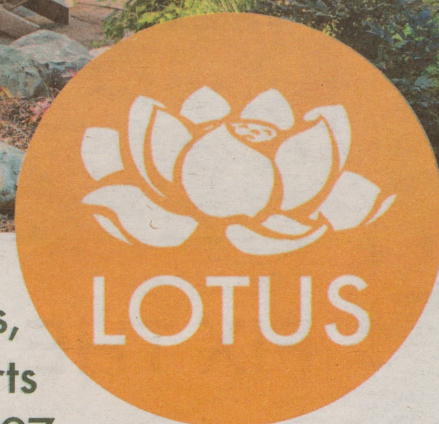


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THE VISIT EVERY PARK CHALLENGE gives *Ann Arbor's* nature-loving completionists a *worthy goal*.

How does a “walk in the park” become a challenge only the hardest and most determined locals accomplish? By inviting people to visit every single one of Ann Arbor’s 162 parks. Nearly 100 community members have accomplished this feat in the past five years.

The Visit Every Park Challenge began as a fun staff project with a purpose. Erika Smith took over the outreach program at Ann Arbor Parks and Recreation in 2015, “and she hired me shortly thereafter,” says Ryan Poling, now the unit’s volunteer, outreach, and marketing coordinator. “It was like, okay, we need to find volunteer opportunities for people in parks. We need to assess what needs there are, and what volunteers can help with. ... Let’s challenge each other to try and visit every park.”

In those early days, staffers tracked one another’s progress via a whiteboard checklist. The Challenge remained an informal staff activity until the pandemic hit.

“Lots of people were just out and about, exploring parks because they had nothing to do,” says Poling. “So [Erika] turned it into a public-facing challenge.”

Lisa Waxman-Van Alstine with her sons, Matthew (left) and Timothy at Pilgrim Park. “I always wanted to do something like this with my boys,” she says.



Cathy Chow combined the Challenge with her other hobbies, like foraging. She has a soft spot for Black Pond Woods.



Bird Hills is Brooks Curtis’s favorite park—he does ecological volunteer work there most days.



There were only seven VEP Champions in the first year, but because participants have unlimited time to complete the Challenge, several more were already working on their VEP journey. Participants win prizes (like T-shirts and other swag) at six different milestones along the way, and each year, the number of VEP Champions grows.

“Last year was the biggest year by far,” Poling says. “I think we had over half of all our Champions of all time. Something like fifty Champions completed the Challenge last year.”

Poling thinks both the program’s recent role in the Ann Arbor District Library’s Summer Game (a clue has lived at Fuller Park’s “VEP Lounge”) and positive word of mouth have contributed to its increased popularity.

“We get so many people going, ‘I’ve lived here for thirty years, and I had no idea there were so many [parks], and they’re all so well maintained, and there are all these beautiful nature areas,’” Poling says. “I think it’s great for people to spend time outdoors and find new parks to fall in love with.”

There are almost as many ways and reasons to do the VEP Challenge as there are parks, so

we checked in with eight Champions to ask why and how they did it.

Lisa Waxman-Van Alstine, thirty-four, works as a cook at two different Ann Arbor restaurants when she’s not planning outdoor adventures with her two sons. The boys were three and five when they became VEP Champions on November 1, 2024.

“I like to keep my boys outside in good weather as much as possible,” Waxman-Van Alstine says. “When I was taking my boys to Fuller Pool, I saw the Challenge and I was like, ‘I always wanted to do something like this with my boys. ... I guess this is time to do it.’” On their busiest day they visited ten parks, and they completed the Challenge in a little under three months.

Perhaps not surprisingly, her younger son most loved parks that had a playground, while the older was partial to Gallup, and to Mushroom Park’s namesake sculptures. Waxman-Van Alstine, meanwhile, felt a nostalgic attachment to Mary Beth Doyle and Pilgrim

parks on the southeast side, since she grew up nearby.

She created a VEP photo album, filled with pictures of her sons by park signs. But for a few of the venues, Waxman-Van Alstine sought out some additional company: her brother and sister-in-law, who drove in from Sterling Heights with their resident pooch.

“I didn’t want to go to a dog park without a dog,” said Waxman-Van Alstine. “It just felt too weird.”

It took former GM manufacturing engineering manager Brooks Curtis, sixty-one, about two years to complete the circuit. “I retired in early 2021, so the VEP Challenge helped make sure that I had plenty to do,” he says.

Curtis was hardly a stranger to the Ann Arbor Parks system, having volunteered with the parks’ Natural Area Preservation unit for nearly two decades.

“I’m out in Bird Hills most days of the week doing ecological restoration,” he says, noting that it also happens to be his favorite local park.

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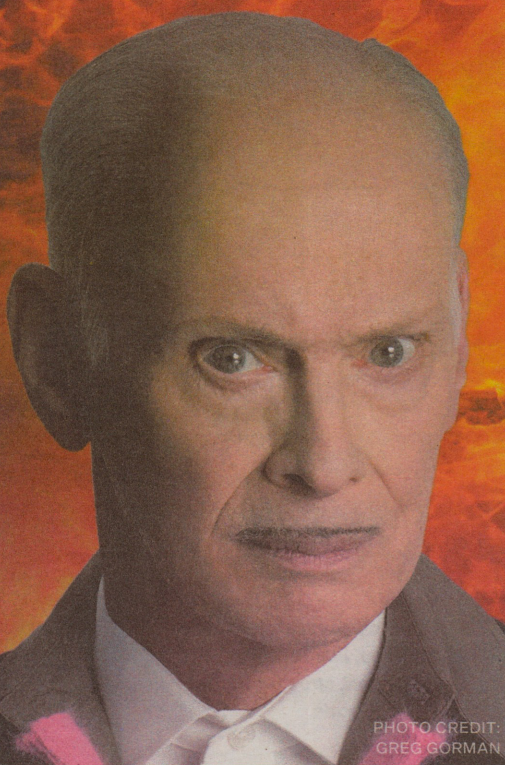


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COURTESY OF BRIAN KENNEDY

★ Brian Kennedy (left) completed the Challenge in fall 2023. He had company: his wife Kimberly, three of the couple's grown daughters, one daughter's spouse, and two grandchildren.

His VEP game plan began with checking the parks he'd already visited. "Then, for a while, I was like, 'Okay, if I need to go to Kroger, which Kroger do I want to go to, and are there parks around I can visit?'" he says.

Curtis checked off many parks this way, but at a certain point, he recognized that he was going to have to make a special effort to get to those that remained.

"Some of the parks, you can see the whole thing from your car," he says. "Like, there it is. It's got a bench and a tree. Okay, I got this one." He finished in June 2023.

Though Curtis has lived in Ann Arbor since 1985 (and chairs its Environmental Commission), the VEP Challenge introduced him

I'd look at the map and plan to visit four or five places."

She appreciates Bird Hills' size and biodiversity, and she has a soft spot for Black Pond Woods. "At a certain time of year, in the pond area, you see so many frogs," Chow says. "The most I've ever seen. And the elevation makes [hiking] fun. ... Because it connects to different parks, you can make it a bigger hike. And I've found some cool mushrooms there."

Her favorite park, though, is one shared by many VEP Champions: Postmen's Rest, named in honor of the mail carriers who regularly checked in on pioneering female journalist Anne B. Mueller, who lived to age eighty-five in her modest home nearby.

Many Champions say their favorite park is one of the smallest: Postmen's Rest. "The name makes so much sense to me," Chow says. "A working person taking a moment of rest from their journey, their day."



to pockets of the city he'd never previously visited.

"It made me appreciate having all the little neighborhood parks that are out there, and the benefits of those neighborhood parks," he says. "I think that's a good, important part of Ann Arbor—having green spaces around that people can get to easily."

Software engineer Cathy Chow, thirty-two, became a VEP Champion in August 2023, about four months after she started.

Chow was already a regular parks visitor, and she liked the idea of earning prizes for it.

"I tried to combine the Challenge with my other hobbies, like playing the AADL Summer Game, Pokémon Go, biking, hiking, and foraging," she says. "It was a great summer."

Cycling, in fact, provided an ideal means of visiting several neighborhood parks on her checklist.

"After work, I'd sometimes take a bike ride in the evening and explore and visit all the parks around a neighborhood," Chow says. "Or

"There's a bench swing, and you're kind of hidden away," says Chow. "It was such a nice moment to be outside and watch the cars go by. Like a reprieve in this cozy, small park. ... The name makes so much sense to me—a working person taking a moment of rest from their journey, their day."

Pediatrician Brian Kennedy completed the Challenge in fall 2023. He had company: his wife, Kimberly, three of the couple's grown daughters, one daughter's spouse, and two grandchildren.

"Many times, we'd have a little picnic at the best or last park on our list," he says.

The family started the Challenge in March 2023 at the behest of the couple's daughter Theresa, thirty-five, a dental hygienist.

"I had a health scare and didn't get any real answers ... until mid-July," she says. "During that time, I decided I wanted to try to have the best summer ever with my kids and live life to the absolute fullest."



"I had remembered reading about the Challenge in 2020, but that year, it felt so important to me to complete it."

The Challenge gave the Kennedys a reason to gather weekly toward a common goal. It also cast a new light on their hometown.

"Going to every park gives you a view of how distinct and special the Ann Arbor neighborhoods are," says Brian. "We all had different favorites."

His top picks included Furstenberg and Bird Hills, while Theresa and her daughter were fond of Depot Park, which is "just a tiny corner with flowers planted," she says. "This challenge really helped me a lot over the summer of 2023."

Pioneer High and U-M alum Elijah Richards, twenty-six, first talked about biking his way through the VEP Challenge over the course of a week or so with his brother, Adam, and their friend, Ries Plescher.

"We were trying to think, like, which days would work, and there was only one day where we were really free for a lot of time," says Richards, now a PhD student in civil engineering at U-M. "I think the idea started as a joke. Like, 'We could just do it all in one day!'"

"Then we started seriously thinking, well, [the parks] are pretty close to each other, and it's not like there are a thousand of them."

So at 4:30 a.m. on June 16, 2024, the three young men started their marathon park journey near Hill St. and S. Division.

"The first ten or so parks that we went to, it was still dark," said Richards. "Ries is the one who drew the map and planned the route. ... We started in the middle of town, hitting as many as we could that were near the middle, then sweeping out and around, going all the way around the city."

The trio had hoped to wrap things up by 7 p.m. Their end time was closer to 9:30, shortly before sunset, making it a (still wildly impressive) seventeen-hour quest. Poling had been in contact with the three throughout the day and met them as they finished at Fuller Park's VEP lounge, bringing along their prizes.

"I think he also just wanted to witness it," Richards says. "And my mom came to pick us up. We were originally going to bike back home and then go out to dinner, but we ended up just parking our bikes at Fuller, because we were so tired, and getting a ride. We ate dinner at Frita Batidos afterward."

Though Ann Arbor has long been Richards' hometown, he found the experience of traversing so much of it by bike to be revelatory—Terhune Pioneer Memorial Park in particular.

★ **Elijah Richards pictured here at Island Park, talked about biking his way through the VEP Challenge over the course of a week with his brother and their friend. They ended up doing it in one marathon seventeen-hour day.**

"It was quite close to my mom's house, so I was surprised that I'd never heard of it," he says. "And there were graves there of some of the earliest European Americans to make it here to Ann Arbor. I had no idea there was a park like that you could go to."

We'll end this tale with an asterisk: retired teacher Beth Kennedy (no relation to Brian), sixty-seven, was very likely the first unofficial, non-staff VEP Champion: She visited every park in 2017 (and blogged about it) on her own.

"I always enjoyed walking, and in 2017, I decided to try checking out a few different parks instead of the usual two or three that I always walked in," Kennedy says. "Then I decided to try to do them all as a personal challenge and began on July third. My goal was to finish by Halloween."

As she'd planned, Kennedy finished her self-directed circuit on October 30, 2017. At the time, there were 152 parks in Ann Arbor, and some were difficult for Kennedy to find and access. ("There were many secret entrances," she writes in her wrap-up blog post. "I had to climb through brambles, through backyards, across driveways, park illegally, go over and under fences, across ravines, around hills, between fences, over water, under low trees, and behind school yards.")

Kennedy didn't learn about the official, public-facing VEP Challenge until 2024, and by that point, ten more Ann Arbor parks had been added. She set out to finish her quest and earn her prizes and championship status that fall.

"One of the last ones that was on the 'new' list was just listed by its address: 2570 Dexter Road Park, which I really had a lot of trouble finding," Kennedy says. "It turns out the reason why was that it was a recent acquisition, and really had nothing on the space. It was just a chunk of land. So I kept driving back and forth by it and finally parked my car nearby and walked the space. Not too interesting in itself, but it is a bit interesting in that it shows how active the parks project actually is. It's always in play and growing."



★ **Beth Kennedy enjoys a sunny day at Postman's Rest Park. She completed the VEP Challenge in 2017—three years before it was a public-facing event.**



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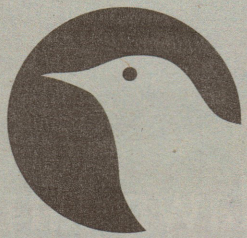
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ABBOT

Smaller mid-century ranch homes abound on the flat, quiet streets of Ann Arbor's relatively affordable and family-friendly Abbot neighborhood on the northwest side, and there's a cluster of million-dollar spreads in the twenty-year-old Walnut Ridge subdivision north of M-14. Veterans Memorial Park offers an outdoor pool in spring and summer and an indoor ice arena in the fall and winter, along with a 30,000-square-foot skatepark. North and west of M-14, newer rural residential development mixes with farmland between Wagner and Zeeb; like Walnut Ridge, these Scio Twp. lots are typically big enough to require a riding lawn mower.

Around the school itself, the Hollywood Park subdivision, named for a three-acre park adjacent to school grounds, is close to highway access ramps and the commercial strip along Maple and Stadium, which includes two groceries: upscale Plum Market and discount ALDI. A major apartment complex, 328-unit Arbor Landings, is discreetly tucked away off Dexter Rd. west of Maple; on Maple itself, Phase II of the Maple Cove complex will begin leasing in late 2025. At its westernmost point, Abbot's district dips south of Jackson Ave. to take in most of the Scio Farms manufactured home community (a few blocks in this community are assigned to Haisley School). At Jackson and Baker, the 100 newly constructed townhouses at Woodview Commons are available for rent; though just beyond the AAPS boundary, they have Ann Arbor addresses.

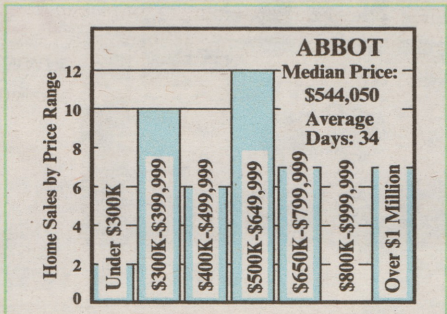
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Allen Elementary serves four noncontiguous areas in southeast Ann Arbor, mostly around Washtenaw Ave. and US-23. The school's immediate surroundings are a compact section of single-family red-brick houses

built in the 1950s and 1960s, as well as the 103-unit ranch-style Carleton Court apartment complex at Packard. Students also are bused in from three huge rental complexes south of I-94: the 582-unit Pines of Cloverlane and 440-unit Hamptons of Cloverlane, both off Michigan Ave., and the 609-unit University Townhouses co-op off Ellsworth.

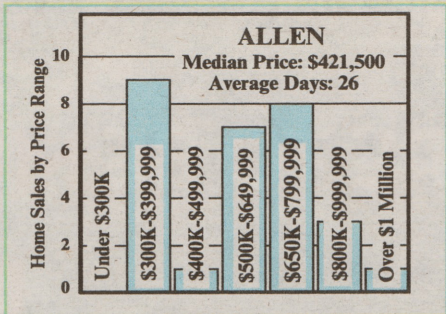
Yet Allen students also hail from more bucolic and upscale swaths north of Washtenaw Ave., with unpaved streets and large, wooded lots along Chalmers and Woodland as well as bigger, newer homes in the Woodcreek subdivision. The area includes tract mansions along the river that over the smaller, architect-designed homes of the Thoroaks sub, which Pittsfield Twp. has designated as a Local Historic District to preserve its mid-century modern charm. Another upper-middle-class segment is south of Michigan Ave. in the Village of Hickory Pointe, a subdivision with sixty-five homes, five parks, and a swim club.

Allen School lies behind historic Cobblestone Farm and year-round city recreation favorite Buhr Park, which features a swimming pool, outdoor ice rink, and sports fields. The newly developed Veridian at County Farm is one of the nation's first mixed-income net-zero energy communities, with townhouses and flats for sale and low-income apartments for rent.

Allen grads go to either Scarlett or Tappan middle schools, and from there to either Huron or Pioneer high schools.

Bike lanes: Platt, Packard, a section of Ellsworth, and Stone School Rd. have bike lanes. Washtenaw Ave. has an off-street path. The school's immediate neighborhood is well-connected with bike-friendly streets that make it viable to ride from E. Stadium on Brockman Blvd. and St. Francis Dr., across Medford, Towner, and Easy St., all the way to Packard or through Buhr Park. In the northern segment of the district, dedicated bike lanes run from Gallup Park south on Huron Pkwy. to Washtenaw Ave.

Walking: Allen School has a Walk Score of 34. The Woodcreek subdivision area is close to Arborland, but many areas require a car for shopping.



ANGELL

Homes served by Angell School range from fraternities and student apartments near the U-M campus to

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118 homes sold for over \$1 million—and only 36 for under \$300k.

Local Realtors reported selling 895 single-family homes in the Ann Arbor School District between July 1, 2024 and June 30, 2025—just 6 percent more than last year. Interest rates have remained near 7 percent during this period, which makes current owners reluctant to sell their home and trade in their low-rate mortgages.

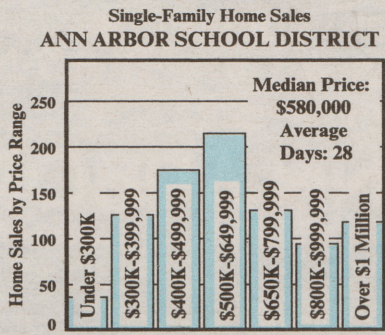
The lack of inventory continues to stymie sales and drive up prices. This year, the average home sale price rose to \$657,961 while the median sale price was \$580,000. What does that house look like? In the Allen Elementary School district, a stone's throw from Buhr Park, a 3-bedroom, 2-bath 1,438-square-foot home was listed for \$565,000 and sold in five days for \$580,000.

This graph divides the sales into seven broad price ranges. The majority of the sales continue to fall into the range of \$500,000–\$749,999 (215).

118 homes sold above the \$1 million mark, 11 percent more than the same period last year. Seven of those sold above \$2 million, and the most expensive went for just under \$3 million. Located in Ann Arbor Hills, in the Burns Park Elementary district, it boasts 8,131 square feet of living space with 6 bedrooms, 6.5 baths, a wine cellar, a pool, and a 3-car garage, all on 1.85 acres. Meanwhile, only thirty-six homes sold for under \$300,000, fifteen fewer than last year.

On the following pages, nineteen additional graphs similarly break down sales within each elementary school's attendance boundaries. The figures are based on analysis of data reported to Greater-MLS after removing duplicates and/or misclassified sales. The MLS does not guarantee the accuracy of its data, but it is generally reliable.

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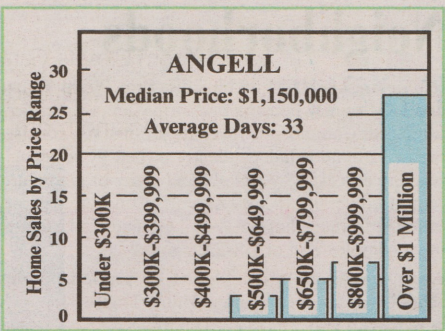
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exclusive homes to the north and east, including residences of prominent university and medical school faculty. Bordering on the 123-acre Nichols Arboretum, a wooded natural area sloping down to the Huron River, Angell in its northern reaches is parklike itself. The riverside areas are among the city's most expensive neighborhoods, with stately mansions and large, secluded homes.

East of the Arb, the streets north of Geddes are lined with one-of-a-kind homes from the decades on either side of World War II. Perched on the slopes overlooking the river are newer custom-built houses, many in mid-century modern styles. Many are architectural showpieces—including the Frank Lloyd Wright-designed Palmer House on Orchard Hills Dr., where visitors can stay overnight. South of Geddes are the



winding, wooded streets of another top-dollar neighborhood, Ann Arbor Hills, also with many custom-designed homes.

The Angell district also reaches north of the river to take in the modernist 360-unit Huron Towers, built in 1960 and constructed using the then-new lift-slab sys-



Abbot's Original Selfie Spot

Everyone knows the Kirking house.

Marilyn Kirking says that the first time she and her husband, Duane, saw their future home in the Abbot neighborhood, “we didn’t even bring our checkbook.”

The two young pharmacists had just launched their Ann Arbor careers, Marilyn at University Hospital’s outpatient pharmacy and Duane as an instructor at the College of Pharmacy. But it was Labor Day, 1980, and they were facing one of the most challenging real estate markets in recent memory: interest rates were at double digits, and inventory was tight. “Houses sold before they even got on the market,” Marilyn recalls.

Fearing they would not be able to buy, the couple had already rented an apartment close to campus. But after touring the bungalow kitty-corner from Abbot School, they put in an offer the next day. It was cheaper than Burns Park, which many friends recommended, and they liked the proximity to shopping, transportation, and I-94.

Four and a half decades later, they’re now retired—Duane as a professor—but they’re still the center of the action. Mainly situated between Maple, Dexter, and Miller roads on Ann Arbor’s far northwest side, the Abbot neighborhood is child-friendly, with wide, shaded streets shielded from busy traffic. During an hour on the Kirking’s porch, several pairs of children walk past while kids ride by on their bikes. Others laugh and shout while playing outside the school, where a summer program is underway. Dog walkers

Behind Duane and Marilyn Kirking’s garden gates sits a brick patio, with a Mexican chiminea fire pot in one corner and a large white pergola shading a dining table. Flower beds complete the picture, which a neighbor told them reminded her of Tuscany.

and other strollers pass by, and a trio of goldfinches flies overhead, on their way to perching in a big oak tree.

From there they have an ideal view of the Kirking’s hidden treasure: behind the garden gates sits a brick patio, with a Mexican chiminea fire pot in one corner and a large white pergola shading a dining table. Flower beds complete the picture, which a neighbor told them reminded her of Tuscany.

There’s a European note to their transportation routine, too. In the years they worked at the university, they never purchased a parking pass but walked out to Miller Rd. to catch the bus into town. They share one car, and a favorite pastime is walking.

During the pandemic, “we met a lot of people that we had never met before,” Marilyn says, either strolling the sidewalks or on their porches. That’s when they learned that “we’re not the oldest, or the longest” in terms of neighbors, Duane says.

For Duane, who grew up on a farm in Wisconsin, and Marilyn, who comes from rural Kentucky, Abbot has made them feel welcome at graduation and block parties. They return the welcome every Halloween.

Long before inflatables were a trend, they placed a giant grinning pumpkin topped with a witch’s hat on their front lawn. It became a favorite spot for parents to take photos of kids in their costumes—first with cameras, more recently with phones.

The first neighbor children in those photos are grown. Now some now bring their own kids to take pictures, too.

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tem devised by U-M architecture prof Philip Youtz, and U-M family housing on North Campus. Bordering North Campus is University Commons, consisting of 92 condos independently owned by residents, who are at least 55 years old and many of whom are retired university faculty or staff. Children also are bused in from the huge 598-unit Golfside Lake apartment complex east of US-23.

Angell grads go on to Tappan or Scarlett middle schools and meet up again at Huron High.

Bike lanes: Hill, Glazier, and Fuller have bike lanes, and so does part of Geddes. Campus areas are well supplied with bike infrastructure, and the Gallup Park Pathway runs east to north along the Huron River.

Walking: Angell School has a Walk Score of 81, and many parts of the neighborhood are within walking distance of shopping on South University. Areas north of Geddes require a car to run errands.

BACH

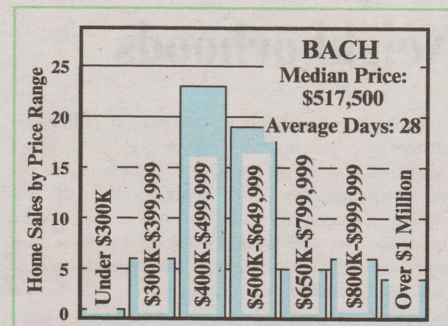
With their porch swings and bountiful front-yard gardens, the homes of the city's Old West Side—just a short walk from downtown—welcome passersby to the heart of the Bach Elementary area, which boasts thirteen historic districts. Most homes are small Victorians built by 19th-century German immigrants. Many have been painstakingly restored. In exchange for some of the highest prices per square foot in the city, buyers get shady streets, houses with character, and a fabulous location.

Also served by Bach School (Ann Arborites say "Bah") are the neighborhoods around downtown and the U-M campus, including the Old Fourth Ward Historic District. Increasingly gentrified, with rehabbed single-family homes as well as a growing collection of luxury condominiums, the area is also home to many well-worn student rentals. North of Miller, homes are set close to the sidewalk on narrow lots, with porch sitters, bike riders, and kids playing on the sidewalk. Long economically and racially mixed, this neighborhood has become less diverse as prices rise, but rentals remain available.

Farther south, single-family bungalows, small ranches, and a few story-and-a-halfs (most built after World War II) thread outward from Allmendinger Park, with its softball diamonds, playground, tennis and basketball courts, and picnic facilities. Lilacs line its perimeter. This area also encompasses Michigan Stadium, which means homeowners in the vicinity can make significant revenue offering parking in their driveways and yards during football season.

To the east, Bach extends past downtown all the way to the U-M Diag. The red-brick buildings of 207-unit Nob Hill, the old-timer among the area's apartment complexes, fit comfortably into the neighborhood's southern edge. Bordering the Old West Side and downtown sit the 68-unit Liberty Lofts condos, a tasteful conversion of a former auto parts plant.

Downtown student apartments are well represented here and new offerings are sprouting like bamboo. The nineteen-story Legacy near Michigan Theater,



which opens this fall, is downtown's tallest building since the twenty-six-story Tower Plaza on E. William opened in 1969. There's much more to come: in mid-2025, four student towers were under construction in Bach and other neighborhoods touching Central Campus, and three more were planned. The Brady, a converted former office tower on S. Main, also touts a location "near Umich."

In the Kerrytown area, the affordable Dunbar Tower is scheduled to add sixty-three subsidized units, as well as a community space honoring Ann Arbor's Black history, in 2026. Five blocks south, plans are in the works for a twenty-story high-rise with affordable housing next to the Blake Transit Center.

On S. Main opposite Packard, Ashley Mews has condos modeled after traditional brownstones, a central courtyard, and underground parking. North of Miller and Catherine, midrise condo buildings keep sprouting; among those nearing completion in mid-2025 include a "boutique" eight-unit building at 212 Miller, The Bridge eco-friendly luxury condos on 530 N. Division, and 330 Detroit Street, with fifteen luxury units in the triangular block between Detroit St., Fifth Ave., and Catherine. That one proved so popular that its developers are now converting the small office building across Detroit St. to residential use, while across Fourth Ave., a thirty-seven-unit mid-rise condo has been approved to replace Braun Ct.

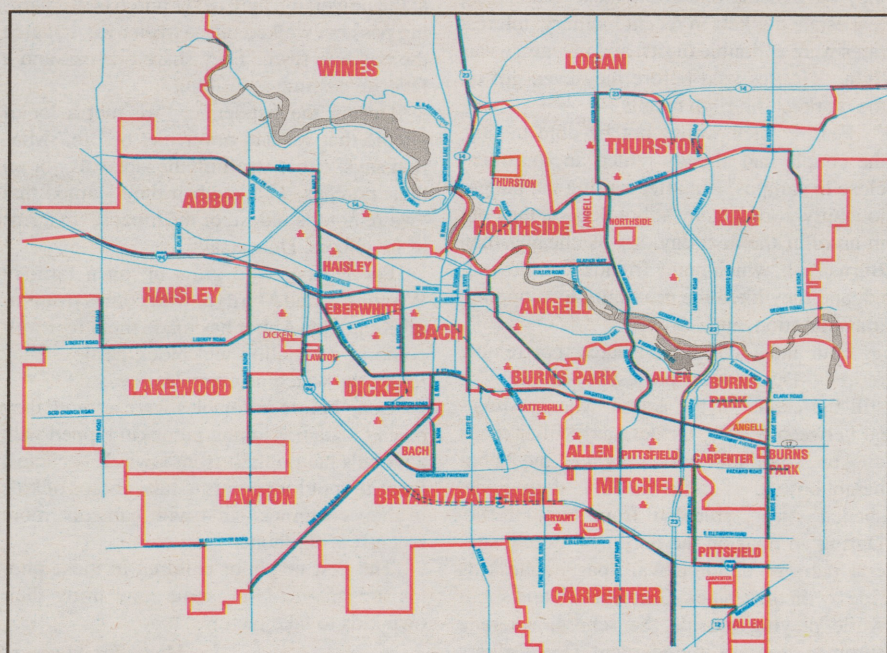
Bach School also serves the triangle bounded by S. Main, Eisenhower, and Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. Residents of the 306-unit Woodland Mews flats and townhouses (which include both owner-occupied condos and rental units) can walk to Busch's supermarket and Whole Foods—or to a game at U-M's soccer stadium.

Bach grads go on to Slauson Middle School, but some on the northern edge can choose Forsythe Middle School. Those who live north of Huron attend Skyline High; the rest go to Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: A protected bike lane on William connects the Old West Side to the university; farther west, Liberty has a bike lane, Seventh has one northbound (the Bach side), and wide Washington is a suggested route.

Walking: Bach School's Walk Score is 86. Depending on their neighborhood, residents may be just a few minutes' walk from the stores and restaurants on Main and State streets, Kerrytown, the Farmers Market, the People's Food Co-op, Zingerman's Deli, or the original Argus Farm Stop.

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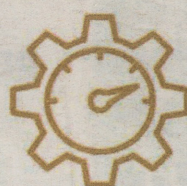
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BRYANT-PATTENGILL

Bryant and Pattengill are paired elementary schools in two neighborhoods south of Washtenaw Ave., with Bryant providing K-2 and Pattengill grades 3-5. Bryant's immediate neighborhood offers some of

the city's least expensive housing, with small ranch homes and multifamily complexes. Homes are bigger and more expensive near Pattengill. The schools have quite different histories, reflected by their namesakes; Bryant opened in 1973 and honors longtime AAPS custodian Clifford Bryant, whereas Pattengill opened in 1957 and is named for a former high school principal who died in 1908.

The neighborhoods off Packard include streets of modest and some larger homes, plus apartment and condo complexes, including the affordable Pattengill



BRITT HEUTER

My Allen Neighborhood

A collection of moments knit together into community

I could've written another version of this essay and blown the entire word count just describing how the canopy of trees changes from season to season, or the way the maple leaves scatter sunlight across our chalky sidewalks in bouncing dapples. Our neighborhood is surrounded not only by two incredible parks with all-year-long activities and camps, but is also within walking distance of grocery stores, a bookstore, coffee, a hardware store, bakeries, thrift stores, nightlife, and a mixture of casual and fine dining—everything the heart desires!

For me, what it's truly made up of is tiny little moments of connection. Kids emerging from their houses with boxes of cold Popsicles for a yard full of friends taking a break from a front yard soccer match. Flowers on the doorstep of the neighbor experiencing loss. Days when we drop our kids off at school—whether on foot, by bus, or on Fridays in nice weather, in our neighborhood Bike Bus, where we meet up and ride together—and the music teachers are outside performing an impromptu concert. Nights when I slide our windows open before bed, and fall asleep to the enchanting sound of choral singing from the home of a neighbor who directs the official vocal group of Michigan's Renaissance Festival.

A mix of many family structures, incomes, and life experiences share these streets. We've got teachers, artists, journalists, and Realtors. We've got single mothers doing the hardest job with unmatched

Our family could've wound up anywhere, but one day my husband Marty got a phone call for an opportunity to buy the house whose only previous owners were his very own grandparents, where his dad and four siblings were raised.

strength and devotion to their kids. We've got nurses, theoretical physicists, researchers, scientists, public officials, doctors, therapists, and musicians. We've even got a member of the RFD Boys!

I just want to take *this* moment and brag about all these wonderful people, and how they contribute to this community, and how much richer my life feels since landing within all of their orbits. I believe that what makes the Allen neighborhood truly spectacular is them. *They* are the secret sauce—with the poetry they write and leave for people to find in bushes, or their kids out there selling their homegrown garlic, wildflowers, lemonade, or art on the corner. It's the tomatoes from their gardens they share, and the buckets of pride flags always in stock down the street.

What I know is that nine times out of ten I'm walking away from a chat with a passing neighbor altered in some fashion. Whether it was having my perspective shifted, or being taught something new—I know that every time I walk out my front door and let myself be in community with my neighbors, I will feel my humanity and compassion grow and stretch. To say that I live for moments like that would be an understatement.

Our family could've wound up anywhere, but one day my husband Marty got a phone call for an opportunity to buy the house whose only previous owners were his very own grandparents, where his dad and four siblings were raised. Watching our kids, Jo and Sam, grow up on this corner with all these families and wonderful schools feels like hitting the million-dollar life lottery.

—Britt Hueter

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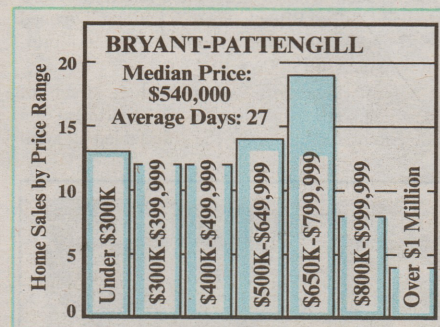


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Condos and the 249 luxury apartments in the George. The area surrounding Pattengill, once prime farmland, was built up after World War II. Kimberly Hills, south of Independence, has newer and bigger homes, some on dirt roads that date to its past as a township "island." Southwest of Packard, moderately priced houses built in the 1940s and 1950s are mixed with apartments.

The subdivisions near and south of Eisenhower are slightly more affluent. Tri-levels, ranches, colonials, and Cape Cods sit along winding streets. Georgetown, west of Stone School Rd., has a semi-private golf course, private pool, and tennis courts.

South of the interchange of Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and I-94 in Pittsfield Township, newer single-family houses line a maze of twisting streets behind the Oak Valley and Waters Place shopping centers. Subs here include Briar Hill, Lake Forest, Lake Forest Highlands, the Pines of Lake Forest, and Bella Vista.

South of Ellsworth are the winding roads of the huge Stonebridge golf course subdivision and nearby smaller subs, with stately executive homes and detached condominiums in a large area that's divided between the Ann Arbor and Saline school districts.

Multifamily housing is also abundant. Small apartment buildings line Packard and E. Stadium. Midsize complexes along Packard include Mulberry Row (120 units), Pine Valley (164 units), Homestead Commons (112 units), and the upscale 134-unit Ponds at Georgetown. Spruce Knob, just to the south off Stone School Rd., adds 168 units. New to the area is Packard Row, a multi-use building featuring 72 upscale rental apartments, as well as a Pilates studio and coffee shop. Woodbury Gardens, off Stadium at South Industrial, is one of the city's biggest rental complexes, with 538 units; Arbor Village, behind St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, has 237. Yet more apartments are available at the five complexes in the Briarwood Mall area—the Emerson and Briar Cove south of Eisenhower, ReNew, Hidden Valley Club, and the Villas at Main Street to the north. At Briarwood itself, a four-story, 370-unit luxury apartment building is under construction on the site of a former Sears store.

Condos and co-ops include the 306 affordable townhouses of Forest Hills Cooperative on Ellsworth, the 76-unit Cloverly Village at Ellsworth and Stone School Rd., the 116-unit Georgetown Commons, and a trio of complexes off Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. south of I-94: Heatherwood with 188 2- and 3-bedroom

ranches; and Oak Meadows and Weatherstone, each with more than 300 mid-priced units.

Bryant-Pattengill grads go to Tappan Middle School and then Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: Packard, E. Stadium, South Industrial, S. State, E. Eisenhower, and Stone School Rd. have bike lanes; Jewett Ave. is bike-friendly from South Industrial to Packard, as is Page Ave. and Esch Ave. from Jewett to King George Blvd. King George connects E. Eisenhower to Packard. S. Maple, Lohr, Oak Valley, and Ellsworth are bike-friendly, and sections of Lohr and Ellsworth have bike lanes.

Walking: Bryant School has a Walk Score of 21 and Pattengill School has a Walk Score of 42. Homes in the southwestern part of the district are close to shopping on Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and Eisenhower, but most residential areas are far from retail.

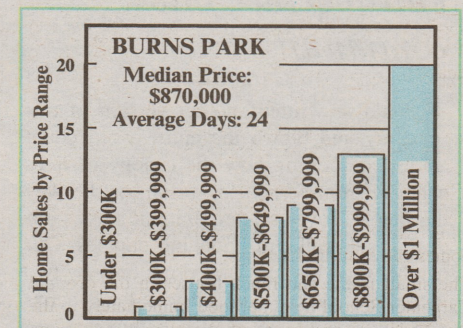
BURNS PARK

Blocks of tree-canopied streets and well-tended classic old homes set around a historic park and school—as well as its location near both U-M's campus and downtown—make Burns Park one of the city's most desirable neighborhoods.

Northeast of the namesake park, the shady streets climb the gentle slopes of the area known as Ives Woods, which has one of the highest median household incomes in Ann Arbor. Even higher in income is the area north of Washtenaw Ave., where eclectic homes on large, wooded lots dot the streets stretching east toward Huron Pkwy.

Burns Park includes the South University business district, home to the eighteen-story, 240-unit University Towers apartments—ugly to some, but home to Madonna back in the mid-1970s during her brief undergraduate stint at U-M. Starting in the mid-2000s, developers began creating new luxury student high-rises, including the ten-story Z Place on East University, the fourteen-story Landmark kitty-corner from U Towers, and the thirteen-story Sterling Arbor Blu, which rises above the Pizza House restaurant. The latest additions are the twelve-story Vic Village North, thirteen-story Vic Village South, and the fourteen-story Six 11; construction is slated to begin in August 2026 on the nineteen-story, 183-unit Chapter Ann Arbor; the developers hope to open in time for the fall 2027 semester.

Near Packard and Hill, older houses occupied by longtime residents mingle with large fraternity, sorority, and cooperative houses and student apartment buildings. More student rentals are sprinkled around Lower Burns Park (affectionately "LoBuPa") south



MARK BIALEK

There are students here in the Burns Park neighborhood, but don't look for them at Burns Park Elementary: white shoes flung over on utility lines are a sure sign that the tenants are U-M students.



The new Scioview subdivision between Jackson and Liberty roads west of Wagner Rd. Youngsters here are assigned to Haisley Elementary School.

and west of Packard; nonstudents predominate in the 262-unit Ann Arbor Woods apartments on Medford. This area is walking distance to Michigan Stadium, so many homeowners in the vicinity make good money offering parking in their driveways and yards during football season.

Students also are bused to Burns Park from Arbor Pointe, with 280 apartments across from Washtenaw Community College, and the huge Glencoe Hills complex, whose 584 units extend from Washtenaw Ave. to Clark east of US-23. Almost all of those kids go on to Scarlett and then to Huron.

Students from the immediate Burns Park area go to Tappan Middle School and then either Huron High or Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: Packard and Stadium (from Packard to Washtenaw Ave.) have marked bike lanes, as does State St. south of Packard and Hill St. from Church St. to Washtenaw and Huron Pkwy. from Gallup Park to Washtenaw Ave. Huron River Dr. has a sidewalk path. Many streets in the immediate school area, including Granger Ave., S. Forest, and Brockman are designated as bike-friendly.

Walking: Burns Park School has a Walk Score of 72. Part of the appeal of historic Burns Park lies in its proximity to the U-M—it's a hike in winter, but walkable from most places. The eastern part of the district is within walking distance of retail on Washtenaw Ave. or Stadium.

CARPENTER

Carpenter Elementary serves four noncontiguous areas including two northeast Pittsfield Twp. sections, all of which have long been popular for affordable homes and semirural settings.

The small frame and ranch houses in the original Carpenter School neighborhood immediately to the east of US-23 and south of Washtenaw Ave. were built in the decade after World War II. Several generations live on these quiet, flat streets, laid out in a grid between Packard and Washtenaw Ave. Stretches of condos, townhouses, and single-family homes spread along Packard and in the Arbor Woods subdivision. An older neighborhood of small houses lies west of Golfside.

Children along Christina and adjoining streets north of Morgan are bused to Carpenter. So are those in an area between Crane and Golfside along and south of Textile, in the far southeast corner of the school district. South of Ellsworth and west of US-23, where the Carpenter area stretches south of Michigan Ave., subdivisions alternate with individual homes among acres of surviving farmland. The Estates at Pittsfield Glen, with entrances on Platt and Textile, offer newer,

single-family homes. Wellesley Gardens, on Michigan Ave. just west of US-23, has 426 condos, lofts, and townhouses; the Arbor Knoll apartments are next door. To the west, on Stone School Rd. south of Ellsworth, are the 200 "upper and lower ranches" of the Woodside Meadows condominium complex.

Pittsfield Township's Lillie Park lies just off Platt and Ellsworth. Featuring soccer fields, playgrounds, walking and hiking trails, and picnic areas with grills, it also hosts Ann Arbor Rec & Ed's youth soccer leagues.

Carpenter grads go to Scarlett Middle School and then Huron High.

Bike lanes: Packard has an east-west bike lane running from Ann Arbor to Ypsilanti. E. Huron River Dr. and a portion of Hogback have bike lanes, and E. Ellsworth has dedicated bike lanes from Stone School Rd. to Platt. Michigan Ave. from Warner to Platt has a bike-friendly designation, as does Platt from Michigan Ave. to Rolling Meadow Ln.

Walking: Carpenter Elementary's Walk Score is 57. While most areas require a vehicle to run errands, the area around Carpenter Elementary is walkable to some retail and grocery shopping, as well as restaurants along Washtenaw Ave.

DICKEN

Dicken is a west-side neighborhood with shady streets and classic suburban-style one- and two-story homes. It includes Dicken Woods, a nature area behind the elementary school that was saved from development by neighbors and is now the site of school and community nature programs.

Small parks are sprinkled throughout the area. Mushroom Park is known for its comical ceramic fungi; Las Vegas Park has a soccer field and playground; and Greenview Park, on the west side of Seventh St., provides a natural retreat for dog walkers and picnickers.

On former croplands southwest of I-94 and north of Scio Church Rd., the Ravines and Meadowlands subdivisions went up at the turn of the millennium; they have amenities like tennis courts and playgrounds. Off Scio Church Rd. near Maple, the seventy-six-unit luxury Kensington Woods condominium community forms a sweeping circle. West of Upland Dr., the 1990s-era Uplands of Scio Ridge offer slightly larger brick and wood residences, often with decks.

Closer to the school are Surrey Park, with 176 ranch-style prefab units, and the older, 312-unit Park Place. At 2050 Commerce Blvd., construction is underway on Union at A2. When it's completed in fall of 2026, it will add 250 affordable apartments to the neighborhood.



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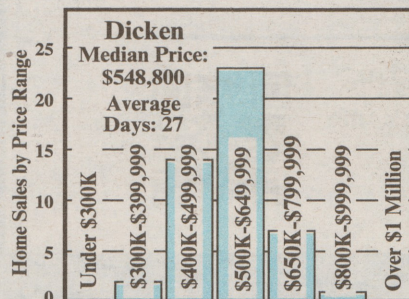
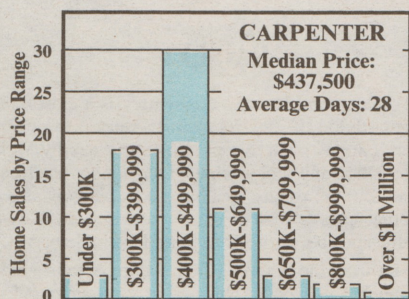
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Neighborhoods

Homeowners in the area directly west of Pioneer High often rent out their driveways or yards to U-M football fans on game days, and some homes on Stadium and Main have been replaced by “game day” condos, pied-à-terres marketed to die-hard fans.

Dicken grads go on to Slauson Middle School and then Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: Neighborhood arteries including W. Stadium, Scio Church Rd., and W. Liberty all have marked bike lanes. Pauline and S. Seventh have buffered bike lanes. A bike-friendly route runs between Pauline and Scio Church Rd. via Runnymede Blvd. and Covington Dr., and on the far west side, S. Wagner Rd. is bike-friendly.

Walking: Dicken School’s Walk Score is 34. Residents in most areas need a vehicle to run errands.

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EBERWHITE

Located on the former property of Eber White, an early settler who helped fugitive enslaved people escape to Canada, this neighborhood has a mix of homes of different eras, all within a few blocks of Eberwhite Woods, one of the city’s most beautiful, secluded natural areas.

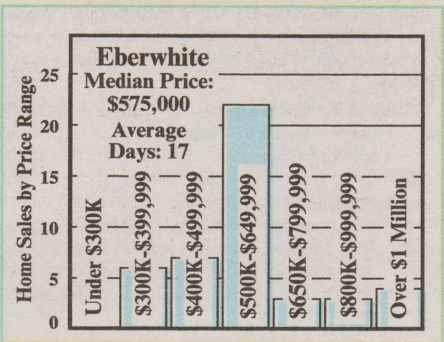
The school and its grounds were carved out of the southeast corner of the oak-hickory woods in 1950, adjoining a neighborhood of broad, hilly, tree-lined streets and predominantly two-story homes built in the 1920s and 1930s. In the 1960s, subdivisions wrapped around the south and west edges, but the woods have remained safe from development, nurtured by the Eberwhite PTO. They have walking trails, a profusion of spring wildflowers, and three ponds, one of which lies in a natural amphitheater and is the site of cacophonous early-spring concerts by frenzied spring peepers.

North of Liberty, the Virginia Park area has many two-family duplexes and Cape Cods. Behind the strip of commercial businesses and fast-food joints along Stadium is a mixed neighborhood of small homes and apartments. South of Pauline, 1950s- and 1960s-era neighborhoods stretch toward Stadium. The only major apartment complexes in the area are Manchester West Apartments off Liberty, Charlton Apartments tucked just south of Jackson Ave., and the older 174-unit Manchester Flats at Pauline and Stadium. The 32-unit subsidized Pauline Apartments replaced an older complex on the same site in 2014. The small Eagle Ridge and Liberty Heights condominiums face each other across Liberty just east of Stadium.

Eberwhite grads go to Slauson Middle School and then most go to Pioneer High, both within walking distance. Some in the northern area of the zoning district attend Skyline High.

Bike lanes: Pauline and S. Seventh have buffered bike lanes. Liberty and W. Stadium have marked bike lanes, as does Jackson Ave. west of Virginia Ave. W. Washington St. from S. Revena through downtown is bicycle-friendly.

Walking: Eberwhite School’s Walk Score is 56. Homes and apartments at the western edge of this neighborhood are close to retail and grocery shopping along Stadium, while those on the east are within fifteen minutes of downtown, but many residents still need a vehicle for running errands.



HAISLEY

The area around Haisley Elementary is a close-knit neighborhood of ranches and 1½-story Cape Cods where parents push tots in strollers to nearby Wellington Park and seniors chat with neighbors on front lawns. But the zoning area has a noncontiguous section that sprawls west of Wagner and includes newer subdivisions between Liberty and I-94 in Scio Twp. Not far from the school, Miller Nature Area is a hidden pocket of woods. During the summer months,



MARK BIALEK

Zeitun's Bach Neighborhood

Black metal, tech house, and a friendly neighborhood cat.

On Hamilton Pl., just a few blocks west of U-M's central campus, it's standard to wake up to the familiar sounds of the city: passing cars, roommates, construction. However, at Tri Sug—a house shared by U-M students that doubles as an underground music venue—their morning starts instead with a loud meow from just outside the window.

That's Zeitun. An official resident of Tri Sug, he makes sure his presence is known bright and early every morning.

"At 5 or 6 a.m., he will meow at my window to be let in," explains Zeitun's owner, Brooke Steele. "When I open it, he'll make some friendly chirps, go eat some food, and then come back and take his morning nap."

Steele, a recent U-M grad with a degree in art and a concentration in computer science, says that the early-bird cat, named after the Arabic word for "olive" thanks to his distinct coloring, has become an important element of both their house and their neighborhood.

"He became a mascot of Tri Sug as our house's identity formed," Steele recounts. "He was so friendly and liked to sit in the basement and listen to our music."

Tri Sug (an inside joke and parody of a frat house name) was established in the summer

of 2024 by Steele and their friend and roommate, Fiend Davis. Of the eight tenants at the house, six are DJs or musicians, and most are U-M students. Though initially started as a side project of the Michigan Electronic Music Collective, Tri Sug quickly became its own entity. They host musically diverse events once or twice a month—"We'll have a tech house show one week, then a black metal show the next," explains Steele—that allow the DJs to experiment with other musically minded peers.

"It's all about giving people the space to create whatever they want, no matter how stupid it is," Steele says. "We want to be smart about being stupid, basically, meaning we try anything, but we do it very well."

When Zeitun isn't hanging out at a Tri Sug show, he's transforming the entire neighborhood around Hamilton Pl. into his home.

"He loves to roam the block and say 'hi' to everyone," says Steele. The neighbors have come to love the wayfaring cat, they say, and his daily escapades have ranged so widely that Steele put their phone number on Zeitun's collar, just in case.

"He's famous for just going into anyone's house to hang out with them. ... Every once in a while I'll get a text from someone commenting that they saw my cat, and that he's so friendly and cute," Steele says. "Sometimes they send pics, too, which I always love."

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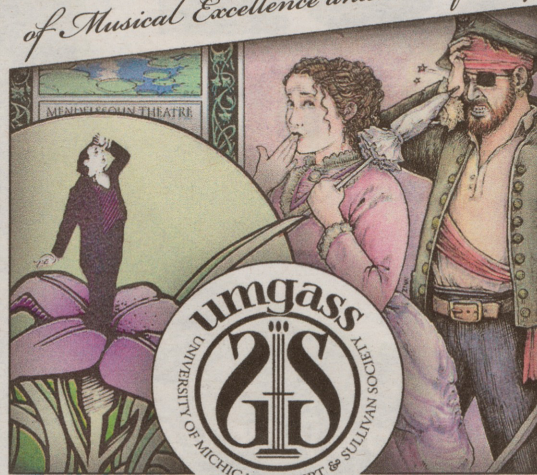
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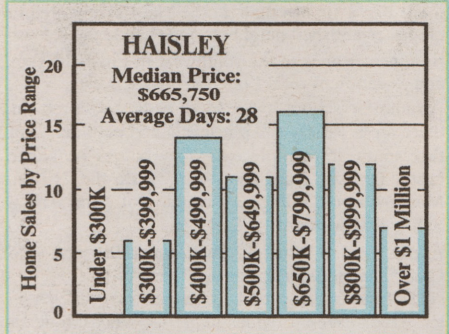
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Neighborhoods



Coachville, a 121-unit mobile home community, was the boyhood home of Iggy Pop, and now has a significant immigrant presence. Youngsters here attend Pittsfield Elementary.



neighbors gather at Veterans Memorial Park Pool on Jackson Ave. near Maple. At the park, the evenings come alive with the crack of bats and the sound of wild cheering as ball teams compete. All ages of rollerblading and skateboarding enthusiasts enjoy the 30,000-square-foot, world-class Ann Arbor Skatepark that is free for the public to use at the northwest corner of the park. In the winter, children sled down the steep hills behind the indoor skating rink.

Outside the beltway in Scio Twp., kids are bused in from developments along Jackson Rd. West of Zeeb is the upscale Trailwoods subdivision off Staebler, with one- and two-story homes and a ten-acre park. Big-box stores, light industry, and restaurants pack the corridor, providing a commercial node for the condos and subdivisions, in line with the township's plan to concentrate development there and try to preserve rural character elsewhere.

Arbor Chase, a ninety-six-unit condominium development, and the 171-home Arbor Pointe subdivision sit back from Zeeb behind the Meijer on Jackson Rd. Off of Liberty, the new Scioview is sold out, but condos are still available at the related Gallery of Scio, and homesites in the newer Traditions of Scio. The 1990s-vintage Polo Fields, off Zeeb north of Liberty, boasts imposing homes clustering around a golf course and country club. Beyond, Scio's dirt roads are dotted with individual country houses, large and small.

The Cambridge Club, with 108 one- and two-bedroom units, is on Zeeb, and the 144-unit Lakestone is hidden away off Parkland behind the Jackson Rd. business strip. Haisley also serves three cohousing complexes south of Jackson Rd. Affordable housing is provided by the huge Scio Farms manufactured housing community, part of which is in the Haisley district, and the Lakestone apartments off Zeeb.

Haisley grads in the older neighborhood closest to the school go to Forsythe or Slauson middle schools, whereas the western portions of the zoning area go to Forsythe. All feed into Skyline High.

Bike lanes: The portions of the neighborhood within the city of Ann Arbor are served by bike lanes on Dexter Rd. and Jackson Rd. Bike lanes run along Miller all the way to central Ann Arbor, on N. Maple, and along the segment of Wagner Rd. from Jackson Rd. to Liberty.

Walking: Haisley Elementary's Walk Score is 60. The suburban sections of this neighborhood, clus-

tered around Jackson Rd. and Zeeb shopping, are actually more walkable than the older parts in the city. Big-box stores, light industry, and restaurants pack the corridor, with Meijer anchoring a shopping district that includes several fast casual restaurants on its outlots.

KING

Nestled in an upscale, woodsy 1960s subdivision on the northeast side, Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary draws students from both sides of US-23 and boasts families from more than twenty countries and who speak more than thirty-five languages.

The winding streets north of Glazier offer colonial, ranch, and tri-level homes. Young families, retirees, and single people live in King's mature subdivisions and apartment buildings. On the hilly terrain south of Glazier are contemporary custom-built homes on big lots in natural settings, with neatly landscaped townhouses and condominiums along Huron Pkwy.

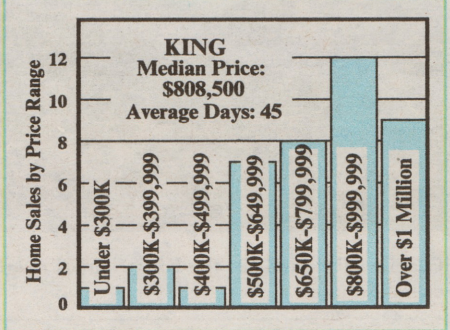
East of US-23 is a growing area of low-density development with prime freeway access and office parks. Off Dixboro Rd. are Radrick Meadows and Fleming Creek, both with large single-family homes. Slightly farther east is Concord Pines off Geddes, with recently built one- and two-story luxury homes, and the retreat-like Matthaei Farm community off Gale, with expensive custom-built homes. The Woodlands of Geddes Glen luxury subdivision sits just north of Geddes. To the south, private drives wind away to carefully isolated riverfront mansions, as well as the elegant Towsley Farms development.

The 501-unit GreenBrier and 216-unit Traver Court apartment complexes are within walking distance of King. Other students are bused from Arrowwood Hills Cooperative (350 town house units) and the 520-unit Haven of Ann Arbor on Dixboro Rd.

Major condominiums and co-ops include the 174-unit Earhart Village, the 103-unit Laurel Gardens along Dixboro Rd., and the 360-unit Geddes Lake on Huron Pkwy.

The zoning area for King encompasses the Matthaei Botanical Gardens, which in turn boasts the superb Gaffield Children's Garden where kids can build forts with huge tree limbs or get filthy making mud pies.

King grads go to Clague Middle School and then Huron High.



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Bike lanes: Plymouth Rd., Huron Pkwy., Green, and part of Glazier have bike lanes, and Huron Pkwy. has a well-used sidewalk path. Earhart is designated a "neighborhood connector," with signs that guide cyclists through the neighborhood streets. Geddes east of Huron Pkwy. is dangerous for both cyclists and pedestrians.

Walking: King School has a Walk Score of 5, and in general, except for those living close to Plymouth Rd. and Green, residents of this area drive or bike for shopping.

LAKWOOD

Nature's sounds still win out over the roar of nearby Jackson Ave. and I-94 in much of west-side Lakewood. Named for its First Sister and Second Sister lakes and woods around Dolph Park, this neighborhood includes a mix of housing styles.

South of the school, off Liberty, the Burr Oak subdivision dates from the 1980s. The Lakewood area stretches far west into southern Scio Twp. and northern Lodi Twp., where scattered big houses on park-size lawns intermix with farms with rustic barns on stone foundations, split-rail or white picket fences, and horse pastures and stables.

High-end homes can be found in Pheasant Hollow on Scio Church east of Zeeb and across the street on Encore. To the west are Riding Oaks Estates, and Sandy Creek, with three- to six-acre home sites and equestrian trails. Houses in a cluster on Tessmer off Waters are separated by wildflowers.

There are a number of neighborhoods in the Lakewood area's northwest corner, all within a short walking distance to shops on Zeeb and a slightly longer walk to shops on Jackson Ave. Parkwood and Scio Village offer condos, all built this century, while Cambridge Club has apartments. Country French Estates' 210 homes border the Devine Preserve and its many hiking trails. South along Zeeb, the few houses have stately trees and huge yards with swing sets, decks, and patios. In Saginaw Hills Estates off Liberty, modern brick and stone homes and decks rise above impressively large landscaped lawns.

Condominiums are concentrated around Liberty near Scio Ridge Rd. On the north side of the road, the 1980s-vintage Liberty Pointe and Liberty Oaks offer sixty-five detached ranches and 114 townhouses, respectively. Across the street is the 130-unit Summerfield Glen; Walnut Glen and Walnut View off Scio Ridge Rd. add another 152 condos between them. South of Liberty Athletic Club are Arbor Club Apartments and The Park at Sagebrush Circle, two large, secluded rental properties. Affordable housing is provided by the 290-lot Orchard Grove manufactured home community on Wagner.

Among the more unusual but popular attractions in the area is the 2142 Community Center, a massive, free indoor playground and café open to the public that's associated with its namesake nondenominational megachurch.

Lakewood grads north of Liberty go to Forsythe Middle School and then Skyline High; those south of Liberty go to Slauson Middle School and then Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: Dexter Rd., W. Liberty, S. Maple, W. Stadium, and parts of Jackson Ave. and Wagner have bike lanes.

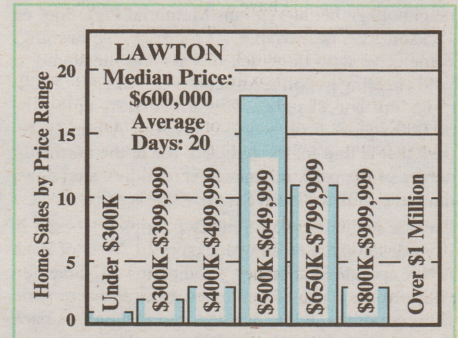
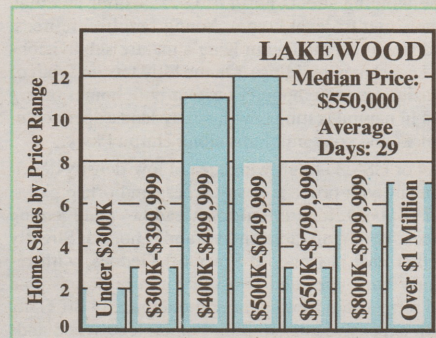
Walking: Lakewood Elementary, buried at the back of the subdivision, has a walk score of 32. While many homes in the original Lakewood Elementary's immediate area are within walking distance of shopping at Jackson Ave. and Maple, most residents in this area will require a vehicle for running errands.

LAWTON

Street after street of handsome colonials, well-manicured lawns, and cul-de-sacs with sports-playing kids make the area around Lawton Elementary feel more like a suburb than a city. The Lawton area includes established neighborhoods inside the freeway ring, newer ones to the southwest in Pittsfield Twp., and a section of rural Lodi Twp. to the west.

Around the school itself, south of Scio Church Rd., there are a variety of split-levels and colonials. Farther south, the simple two-story homes on Northbrook Dr. date from the 1980s, as do the 217-unit Meadowbrook Village apartments off Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. just north of I-94.

Across I-94 in Pittsfield Twp., the 1990s-era Arbor Creek and Boulder Ridge subdivisions line the west side of the freeway, tucked behind Oak Valley Center. Arbor Creek provides large two-story cul-de-sac



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Glacier Highlands in the King School neighborhood hosts its own Fourth of July parade every summer.

homes with tidy lawns. The colonial-style Boulder Ridge has a playground park, and the two subdivisions share a common area with a walking path. The 192-unit Centerra Pointe town house apartments sit tightly clustered on eighteen acres along Oak Valley, across from Boulder Ridge and Arbor Creek. Uptown Ann Arbor's lofts and townhomes at Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and Oak Valley offer a more urban feel, with some lofts perched above retail space. Under construction north of Waters Rd., the Townes on the Green's sixty-four luxury townhomes feature EV charging stations and their own community park. South of Waters is the Hawthorne Ridge subdivision, whose two-story homes boast big garages and vaulted brick entrances. Beyond Lake Forest Golf Club lie small brick ranches, two-story houses, and open fields; homes are set far back down long driveways. Farther west, Lodi Twp. has active farms, including a few horse farms. Along Wagner are older country homes with vegetable gardens and big yards with lots of trees, and sometimes a tractor or dilapidated barn. Students are bused to Lawton from the Pinelake Village Cooperative, a 1960s-vintage federal project on S. Maple with 129 townhouses.

Lawton grads go to Slauson Middle School and then Pioneer High.

Bike lanes: Scio Church Rd. has a marked bike lane, S. Main has a protected cycle lane, and S. Seventh has a buffered cycle lane. Ann Arbor-Saline Rd., W. Oakbrook, and Eisenhower have off-street paths. A section of W. Waters and all of Oak Valley running through Lawton are bike-friendly, and several smaller roads are designated as "neighborhood connectors," with signs to guide cyclists through the neighborhood.

Walking: Lawton School has a Walk Score of 30. Some subdivisions near Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. and Oak Valley are close to Meijer and Target, as well as restaurants south of I-94. However, residents in most areas of Lawton require a vehicle to run errands.

LOGAN

Tree-lined Traver Blvd., on the city's northeast side, is home to Logan Elementary, with condos and apartments across from the school and quiet streets of well-kept colonials leading to the aptly named Placid Way Park behind the school.

This is one of the largest elementary school areas in the district, stretching out from the city into portions of Ann Arbor, Northfield, Salem, and Superior townships. Many people have settled on this side of town for its convenient access to metropolitan Detroit.

Subdivisions are located off Dhu Varren, including the 1990s vintage Foxfire and Dhu Varren on the Park. North Oaks' 472 luxury townhomes and "villas"—clusters of attached condos—are taking on residents both north and south of Dhu Varren.

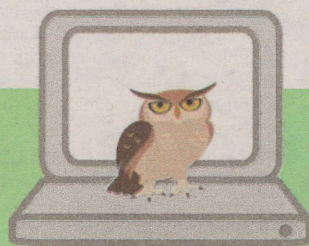
Plymouth Road Mall and Traver Village offer stores and restaurants. Logan School itself is surrounded by modest single-family homes and the 210-unit Traver Ridge apartment complex.

The Logan area stretches north of US-23 and M-14. Beyond the reach of public sewer and water, homes here are on large lots of two acres or more. The area on and around Warren Rd. offers modest homes with lots of acreage on dirt roads. In the Pinebrook Estates subdivision off Gleaner Hall, north of Pontiac Tr., homes cluster on one-acre lots around a twenty-two-acre common area that includes several ponds. Near the US-23 interchange with M-14 sits Cornwell Farms, a luxury subdivision of twenty-seven homes, almost all of which have sold at an average of \$980,000. The Northbrooke Estates sub offers large homes (3,800+ square feet) off Nixon, and the 100-home Tanglewood community, south of M-14 and east of Dixboro Rd., features multistory contemporary homes on large lots.

Logan serves some students from the Arrowwood Hills Cooperative, as well as families in the 475-unit Willowtree complex across from North Campus. Off Huron Pkwy. are the Traver Heights apartments and Parkway Meadows, whose 212 units are targeted toward low-income residents and seniors.

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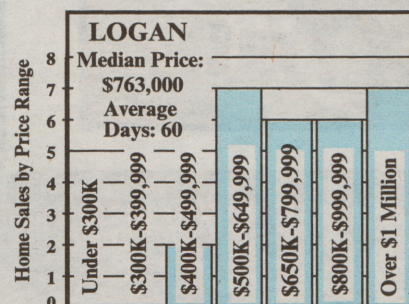
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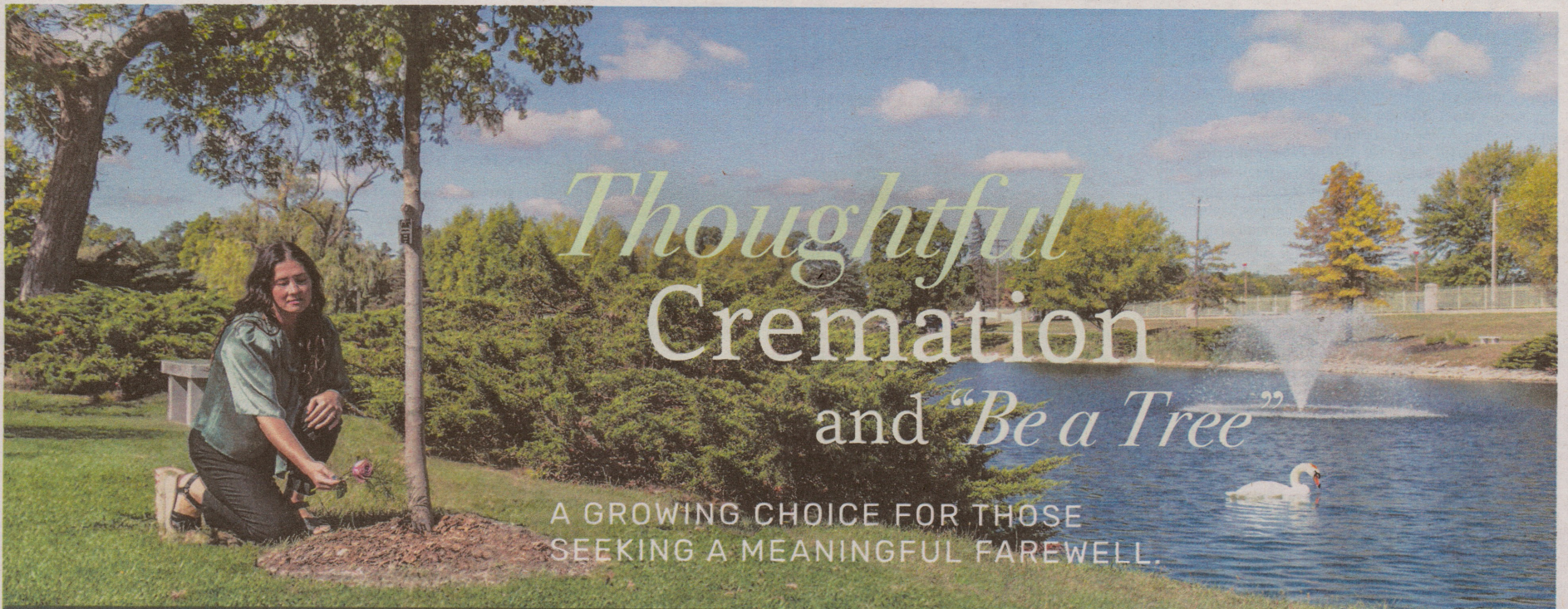
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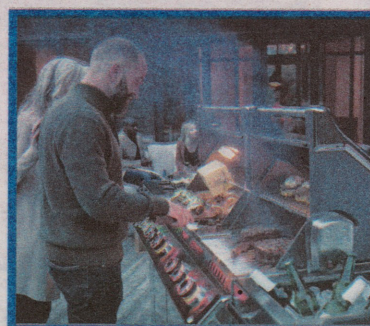
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MARK BIALEK



While Ann Arbor leaders look to increase density within the city limits, the Lawton Elementary neighborhood area on the south side extends west into Lodi Township, which is committed to preserving its agricultural character.

Logan grads go to Clague Middle School. Those living east of Nixon go to Huron High; the rest attend Skyline High.

Bike lanes: City portions of this area are well-supplied with bike infrastructure leading to the U-M's North Campus, with marked bike lanes on Nixon and Dhu Varren, and a buffered and protected bike lane on Plymouth Rd. Earhart Rd. is bike-friendly.

Walking: Logan School's Walk Score is 37. Nearly all areas here are car dependent except for the southernmost section, which is in walking distance of stores and restaurants at Plymouth Road Mall and Traver Village.

MITCHELL

The paired Mitchell Elementary and Scarlett Middle schools adjoin the 427 affordable townhouses of the Colonial Square Cooperative and nearby modestly priced ranches and colonials on Platt. The schools' extensive playfields and the neighboring Scarlett-Mitchell Nature Area, with its branching trails and pond, are a magnet for residents of the southeast side neighborhood.

This area includes the neighborhoods straddling Platt south of Packard and winds its way as far southeast as the intersection of Carpenter and Merritt.

Young families find the neighborhood near the school appealing: the prices are modest for Ann Arbor, and a variety of ethnic markets are nearby. In addition to Colonial Square, there are three-bedroom ranches and a few two-story colonials on modest lots on both sides of Platt. The 210-home Turnberry subdivision on Packard just west of US-23 is slightly more expensive and caters to an older crowd. Farther south in Pittsfield Twp. is the Willow Pond subdivision, set amid older individual homes on large lots, and Arbor Meadows, a 408-lot manufactured-housing community. These communities have Ypsilanti mailing addresses, are administratively part of Pittsfield Twp., and are part of the Ann Arbor School District.

Mitchell grads go on to Scarlett Middle School and then Huron High.

Bike lanes: Platt has a marked bike lane between Packard and Ellsworth and an off-street path south of Ellsworth. Packard, Ellsworth, and Carpenter south of I-94 have marked bike lanes. Neighborhood roads that are bike-friendly include Marshall St., Verle Ave., Springbrook St., Lorraine St., Fernwood Ave., Turnberry Ln., and Roon the Ben.

Walking: Mitchell has a walk score of 31. Nearby grocery stores include Kroger and ALDI on Carpenter, as well as Galleria Asian Market and Bombay Grocers on Packard. However, most residents need transportation to run errands.

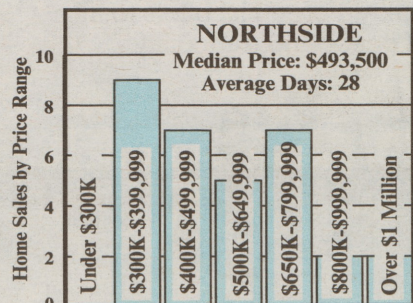
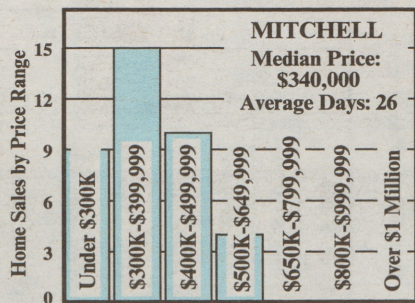
NORTHSIDE (A2STEAM)

An eclectic mix of homes—including some of the city's oldest—fills this neighborhood northeast of downtown. Northside Elementary was rebranded in 2014 as a K-8 magnet school, A2STEAM at Northside. A community center draws neighbors to its steps and baseball players to Northside Park's fields behind the school.

Just north of the Huron River, Lower Town has some of the city's oldest surviving houses including the Guy Beckley House, built in 1842 in New England Georgian style, at the corner of Pontiac Tr. and Argo. It was once a stop on the Underground Railroad.

Rising northward from the river, the Broadway neighborhood combines rental housing with older single-family houses on large, well-kept lots on and near Cedar Bend, a street that offers spectacular views of the Huron River valley and leads down a rutted path to Cedar Bend Nature Area. Many older homes have been rehabilitated, and the area has become more popular with families who have young children. Rentals, including the vast three-building Beekman on Broadway complex, attract U-M medical center workers.

Also under construction is Broadway Park West, a seven-acre riverfront park on the onetime site of a



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In the established, low-key, well-integrated neighborhood off Pontiac Tr., neighbors fix their cars, children play tag in the streets, and retirees sit in rockers on the porch. Longshore is a quiet road tracing the top of the bluff above the river. A popular boardwalk along Barton provides pedestrian access to Bandemer Park and combines with a bicycle path to complete a walking and biking loop around Argo Pond. Also of note are the Argo Cascades, a series of nine small rapids, rock chutes, and pools serving as a bypass channel to connect Argo Pond to the Huron River.

Farther up Pontiac Tr., the brick Cape Cods off Brookside and Skydale in the Huron Highlands area are home to families, retirees, and singles. The North Sky subdivision features stately brick one- and two-story homes on sizable lots. On Leslie Park Cir., newer midsize homes offer easy access to its namesake park, with its golf course and nature area. With Leslie and Olson parks at Dhu Varren and Pontiac Tr., Northside offers some of the largest recreation spaces in the city.

At the edge of town, the 350 townhouses of the Arrowwood Hills Cooperative, the city's largest, rest on forty-four landscaped acres; this complex, too, offers easy access to nature areas, and a bus line is at the front entrance.

The area south of Plymouth Rd. and west of Huron Pkwy. is dominated by the U-M's North Campus, a mixture of classroom and research buildings, residence halls, and rental apartments and town houses for students and staff. Students also are abundant in the 160-unit Parc Pointe, the eighty-four-unit Broadway, and the 130-unit Highlands apartments, on either side of Plymouth Rd. at the top of the Broadway hill. East of Broadway, the Courtyards targets its one- to four-bedroom units exclusively to students, with individual leases and amenities like free Wi-Fi and outdoor party spaces. Farther from campus, Traver Knoll's 216 units draw a more diverse population. Closer to the Huron River are the 348-unit Island Drive, 201-unit Medical Center Court, and 128-unit Shoreview apartment.

Condos include the 1960s-vintage, sixty-unit Riverside Park Place high rise and River House, with 128 apartments off Island Dr.; the sixty-two-unit Nielsen Square on Maiden Ln.; and the 112-unit Northside Glen, at Pontiac Tr. and Dhu Varren, both built around the turn of the millennium. The latest addition is Bristol Ridge, off Pontiac Tr. south of Dhu Varren.

A2STEAM at Northside grads mostly go on to Clague Middle School and Skyline High, except for children who live in housing on North Campus, who are bused to Tappan and then go to Huron High.

Bike paths: Areas near the U-M's North Campus are well supplied with bike lanes and paths on Barton, Pontiac Tr., Wall, Dhu Varren, and most of Nixon. Plymouth Rd. has a buffered and protected bike lane. Broadway is a "neighborhood connector," with road markings to guide bikers to their destinations.

Walking: A2STEAM at Northside has a Walk Score of 33. Walkability here depends on proximity to Plymouth Rd. shopping, which is more accessible from student rentals than the single family homes.

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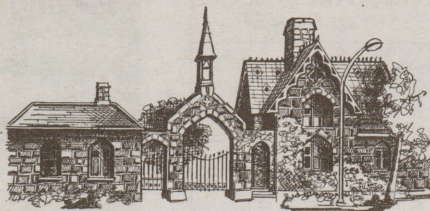
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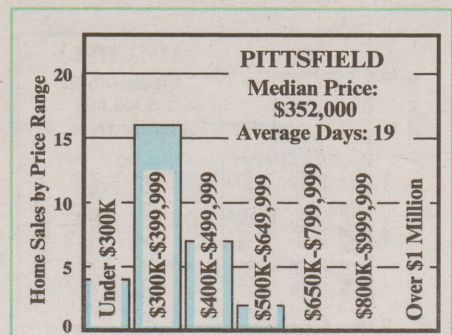
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PITTSFIELD

Pittsfield is unique among Ann Arbor neighborhoods in being anchored by a condo complex. Laid out in 1943, the 422-unit Pittsfield Village Condominiums feature winding streets and sweeping, parklike common yards on a total of sixty-four acres, housing a mix of seniors and families. The many children in the adjoining Forestbrooke area enjoy a neighborhood pool and swim club. Forestbrooke and nearby Darlington subdivisions, which have homes with ample yards, abut Sheffler Park and the Redbud Nature Area, as do the Arlington Place condos.





J. ADRIAN WYLIE

The “International Aspect”

For globe-trotting translator Donna Mancusi-Ungaro Hart, Thurston is home.

A northern New Jersey girl, Donna Mancusi-Ungaro Hart first encountered Italian when she traveled to Italy at age eleven and met her cousins who lived outside of Milan. “I didn’t speak a word of Italian, but I fell in love with it,” she says.

Earning degrees from Vassar and Harvard, she worked as a German translator (she learned the language for her PhD) at Fraunhofer, a German research institute. When the firm relocated their U.S. headquarters to Ann Arbor in 1995, Donna, her husband Bob, and their two young children moved to the Thurston neighborhood, near Sugarbush Park.

The “international aspect” is one of Donna’s favorite parts of Ann Arbor. “When we first moved to the neighborhood, there were many more German people, because of Daimler,” which at the time owned Chrysler. “Now, there’s a strong Asian influence.”

The Harts’ home, a “school bus yellow” Cape Cod with a huge garden, was the second one built by high schoolers in the Ann Arbor Student Building Industry Program, an experiential learning initiative. The first was on nearby Yellowstone Dr., and the third, says Donna, “is right around the corner, on Carl Ct.”

Their kids attended Thurston, then Clague, then Huron. “I love the school system here, where you have neighborhood elementary and somewhat centralized middle schools.” Both took up musical instruments at Thurston, with her son continuing to play clarinet in the orchestra at Purdue, where he was a flight major.

Donna’s offices were a mile away in Domino’s Farms; Bob, an architect, worked there too, at Uppgren & Associates. She had a world-spanning career, traveling and translating from London to Shanghai, eventually transitioning to U-M’s Health Information Technology department. Throughout her career (she retired in 2019), she continued to tu-

tor dozens of students in Italian. “They would send me postcards when they went to Italy.” She held her Italian lessons in coffee shops throughout downtown Ann Arbor. “Going downtown [from Thurston] is a trip, in a good sense,” she says. “It’s a treat. Sometimes it can be chaotic, when the students first come in, or when Art Fair is happening. It’s nice being so close and yet having a little bit of separation distance.”

Her daughter earned her MBA and now lives in Massachusetts. Her son, a captain with American Airlines, is based in Chicago. (“We’re right in the middle,” says Donna.)

Both have children of their own, and when they’re in town, Donna enjoys taking the grandkids to the Wave Field on North Campus, a five-minute drive away.

Through three of her tutees, all U-M-affiliated, Donna has begun a post-retirement career as a translator of Italian literature. Her works include contemporary poetry, children’s books, and the memoirs of an Italian soldier who fought in World War I. Donna has given talks at Literati Bookstore, and her publications can be found on the shelves at the Ann Arbor District Library.

A Thurstonite for thirty years, Donna has seen much change and development in the neighborhood. On the one hand, her kids were upset that the construction of a new school building might affect the neighboring nature area—some trees were transplanted and others were cut down. On the other, she appreciates especially the new social and cultural spots that have popped up. “Rap-pourt is great, right around the corner. Out on Plymouth Rd., it’s been nice to get more little shops and restaurants. And we’ve got the best old-fashioned Carpenter Brothers Hardware.

“There are so many new homes being built, so many new developments and roundabouts. There’s a lot of motion. We have new neighbors next door with a little boy. And on this street, there’s another family, with little kids.”

She smiles. “We’re now in the Old Guard on the street.”

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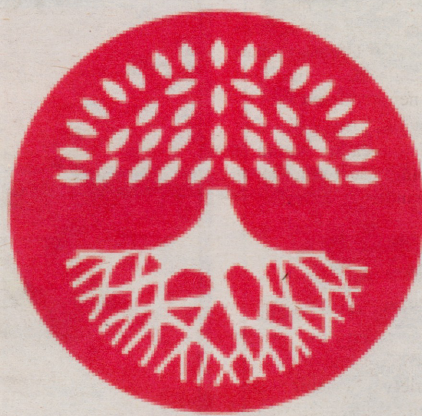
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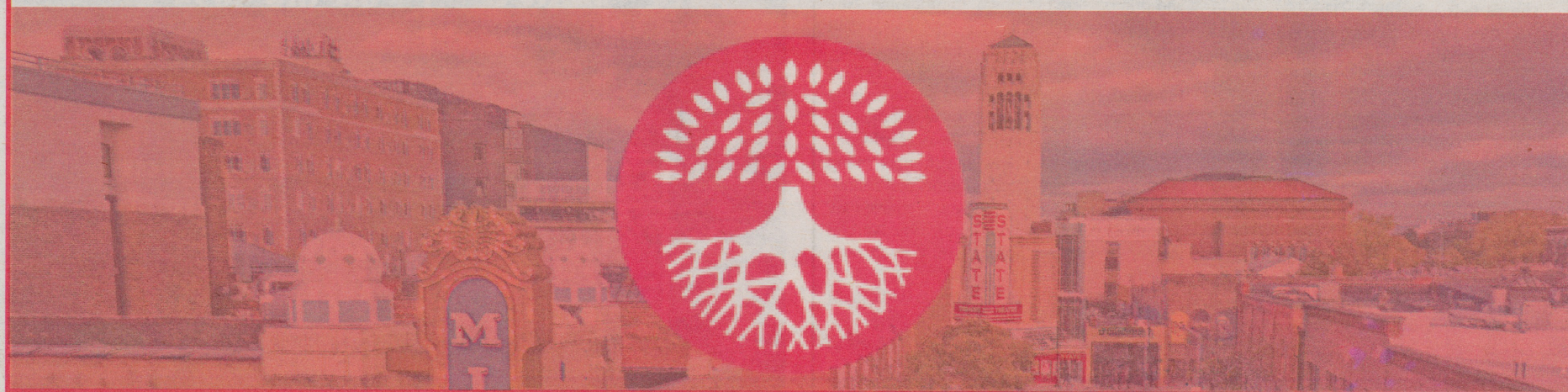
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The established, affordable neighborhoods that make up the Pittsfield school area are surrounded by commercial strips lined with big-box stores, fast-food chains, and a variety of international shops that serve a diverse population.

Block after block of starter homes surround the school. Kids also are bused from the shady streets of the 1960s-era neighborhood off Golfside between Woodside and Ellsworth. The Silverleaf subdivision near Golfside and Ellsworth is composed mostly of two-story homes. The University Palisades subdivision off Ellsworth closer to Carpenter offers ranches, colonials, and split-colonials.

Pittsfield also draws students from the 336-unit Ridgewood Apartments on Carpenter and the adjacent 121-unit Coachville mobile home community; the boyhood home of Iggy Pop, it now has a significant immigrant presence.

Pittsfield grads go to Scarlett Middle School and then Huron High.

Bike lanes: Packard has a marked bike lane, as do parts of Platt. Washtenaw Ave. has an off-street bike path. Some smaller roads are designated "neighborhood connectors," which have signs to guide cyclists through neighborhoods and include Pittsfield Blvd. and Edgewood Dr. connecting Platt to Washtenaw. Golfside has a short dedicated bike lane from just south of Fresh Thyme Supermarket to Strawberry Hills Dr.

Walking: Pittsfield School, in the neighborhood's center, has a Walk Score of 73. A variety of retail and grocery shopping, as well as restaurants and entertainment on both Washtenaw and Packard are accessible on foot.

THURSTON

Northeast-side Thurston Elementary is surrounded by a pond, a prairie, and a nature area, and its 1960s-era ranches and colonials are filled with families who walk to school and the neighborhood pool and parks via nature trails and sidewalks. Older neighborhoods comprise a well-manicured mixture of subdivisions, condos, townhouses, and apartment complexes.

Business professionals, U-M faculty and staff, children, and retirees all mix in this diverse area. The single-family subdivisions west of Green were first known as Ford Motor Company neighborhoods for their high commuter population to Dearborn with US-23 nearby.

Young families are very much in evidence. The neighborhoods are fairly stable, with an extremely high rate of home ownership. Many children live within walking distance of school, and shopping at Traver Village and Plymouth Road Plaza is just a stone's throw away. Amenities at the 282-unit Owl Creek apartments, on Nixon at M-14, include a shuttle bus to the U-M campus northside destinations. The Villas at Northstar, located just south on Nixon, offer residents a playground, resort-style pool, a dog park with an agility course.

The hamlet of Dixboro, along Plymouth Rd. at the northwestern edge of bucolic Superior Twp., has a small core of historic homes. The Thurston area continues deep into the township, where exclusive subdivisions are mixed in with old and new country homes on huge lots with views of the remaining farms. Some homes in the Glennborough sub off Gale have sold for more than \$1.5 million.

Some students are bused from the 350-unit Arrowwood Hills Co-op.

The Chapel Hill condos, east of Green, have high turnover, as U-M graduate students, staff, and foreign visitors come and go from 425 townhouses. The newer Barclay Park complex, with 291 brownstone-style condos, is nearby.

Thurston grads go to Clague Middle School and then Huron High.

Bike lanes: A network of bike-friendly neighborhood roads connect to bike lanes on Nixon and Green and a bike lane on Plymouth Rd., all of them funneling residents to shopping areas and U-M facilities. Dhu Varren has a protected lane east of Nixon and a marked lane west of Nixon. West of US-23, Earhart is designated a "neighborhood connector," with signs that guide cyclists through the neighborhood streets.

Walking: Thurston Elementary has a Walk Score of 63, and homes in the immediate area are within at least a brisk walk from shopping. Most other areas will require a vehicle to run errands.

WINES

As Newport Rd. climbs north to the Wines Elementary area, just south of M-14 on the city's northwest side, broad and rambling roads offer some of the best views in the city and a wide variety of housing styles. This zoning district ranges from modest subdivisions in Ann Arbor to super-luxe Barton Hills spreads to rural residential hideaways in the townships of Ann Arbor, Scio, and Webster.

A mix of retired and young families live among lofty hills in houses from Cape Cods and colonials near Hunt Park to dramatic contemporaries on Orkney. All have easy access to both Bird Hills Nature Area and Bluffs Park. The city calls this the Sunset neighborhood, but a now-defunct neighborhood music festival popularized a new name for part of it: Water Hill.

West of Newport, young parents mix with grandparents on quiet streets of single-family ranches and Cape Cods tucked behind the sports fields of Forsythe Middle School, which shares a large, open campus with Wines.

M-14 divides the middle-class city neighborhoods to its south from some of the most exclusive terrain in the Ann Arbor area. As Newport moves north from the freeway, it passes through late-twentieth-century subdivisions filled with family-minded professionals and business executives: Walnut Ridge, Newport Hills, and Newport Creek.

Farther north, modern dream houses perch on the wooded slopes and stare out across the Huron River at the mansions of Barton Hills in a duel of extravagance. Barton Hills, one of Michigan's wealthiest communities, is legally a village, but its streets and shared facilities are owned by the homeowners' private association, which limits access to residents and their guests. Most of the village's first homes, often of English Tudor or cottage style, were constructed during the 1930s. Architect-designed mid-century modern houses followed in the 1950s and 1960s. Recently, many homes have been extensively renovated—or torn down and replaced with larger contemporary structures.

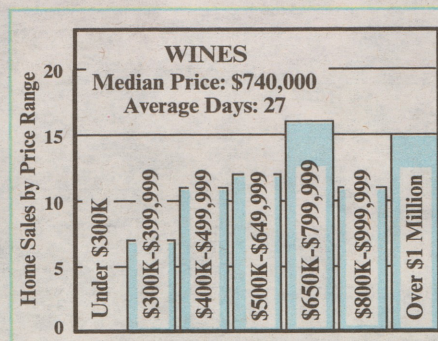
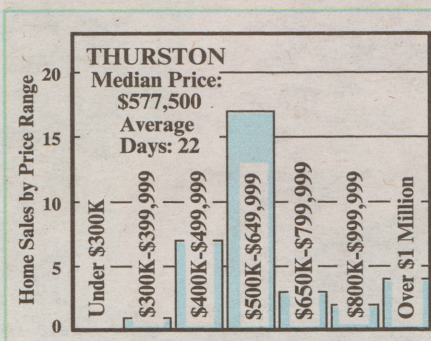
Speaking of structures, this zoning district includes Foster Bridge, which carries Maple Rd. across the river at Huron River Dr. It dates back to 1876, making it the oldest metal-truss bridge in the state, and was rehabbed in 2003.

The Wines district continues west along Miller almost to Zeeb and far north into Webster Twp., where country homes sit on large lots. Multiple-family housing is represented by the Newport West Condominiums, whose 103 units are carefully designed to maximize privacy and views of neighboring Bird Hills Nature Area.

Wines grads go on to Forsythe Middle School and then Skyline High.

Bike lanes: Miller has a marked bike lane. N. Maple has a buffered bike lane and, north of M-14, a marked bike lane and an off-street bike path. Whitmore Lake Rd. and W. Huron River Dr. are bike-friendly, and several smaller roads are "neighborhood connectors," which have signs to guide cyclists through neighborhoods.

Walking: Wines Elementary School has a Walk Score of 17, but the neighborhood itself has an even lower score of 2. Very few homes in this area are within walking distance of any kind of shopping or services.



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enroll@a2schools.org, a2schools.org/enroll

Board of Education

Ann Arbor Public Schools Board of Education, 3700 Earhart. (734) 994–2232. Elections 1st Tues. in Nov. of even-numbered years. Terms of office run 4 years, Jan.–Dec.
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Fundraising

Ann Arbor PTO Thrift Shop, 2280 South Industrial. (734) 996–9155. Resells new and gently used clothing, furniture, crafts, linens, household goods, small appliances, books, jewelry, antiques, collectibles, and more from community-donated items to support student enrichment activities in the AAPS. Visit website for detailed information, current shopping/donating hours, or to arrange a furniture donation. a2ptothrift@gmail.com, a2ptothriftshop.org

Elementary Schools

Grades K–5 unless indicated. Enrollment figures are from the Fall 2024 Student Count. For school boundaries, see the Neighborhoods map, p. 16. All K–5 and K–8 schools offer the Young Fives program, which provides students with early kindergarten birthdays (May 1–Dec. 1) a full year of preparation in early literacy, math, and social skills. For AAPS preschool programs, see listing in the *Child Care & Preschool Programs* section (p. 38).

A2STEAM at Northside, 912 Barton. (734) 994–1958. Grades K–8. 615 students. Torian Billings, principal. a2schools.org/a2steam
Abbot, 2670 Sequoia. (734) 994–1901. 315 students. Steven Hogan, principal. abbot.a2schools.org
Allen, 2560 Towner. (734) 997–1210. 402 students. Jessica Cruz, principal. allen.a2schools.org
Angell, 1608 South University. (734) 994–1907. 294 students. Megan Fenech, principal. angell.a2schools.org
Ann Arbor Open School, 920 Miller. (734) 994–1910. Grades K–8. 508 students. Krista Visser, principal. Admission by lottery. Contact school for application. aaopen@aaps.k12.mi.us, a2schools.org/aaopen
Bach, 600 W. Jefferson. (734) 994–1949. 334 students. Principal TBA. bach.a2schools.org
Bryant, 2150 Santa Rosa. (734) 997–1212. Grades K–2 (students attend Pattengill for grades 3–5). 200 students. Jamar Humphrey, principal. bryant.a2schools.org



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Burns Park, 1414 Wells. (734) 994–1919. 477 students. Leslee Bullock, principal. burnspark.a2schools.org
Carpenter, 4250 Central. (734) 997–1214. 363 students. Michael Johnson, principal. carpenter.a2schools.org
Dicken, 2135 Runnymede. (734) 994–1928. 320 students. Heather Halabu, principal. dicken.a2schools.org
Eberwhite, 800 Soule. (734) 994–1934. 353 students. Michelle Hubbard, principal. eberwhite.a2schools.org
Haisley, 825 Duncan. (734) 994–1937. 401 students. Robin Kocher, principal. haisley.a2schools.org
King, 3800 Waldenwood. (734) 994–1940. 511 students. Koren L. Clinkscale, principal. king.a2schools.org
Lakewood, 344 Gralake. (734) 994–1953. 258 students. Ainess Stewart, principal. lakewood.a2schools.org
Lawton, 2250 S. Seventh. (734) 994–1946. 422 students. Rose Marie Callahan, principal. lawton.a2schools.org
Logan, 2685 Traver. (734) 994–1807. 349 students. William Wright, principal. logan.a2schools.org
Mitchell, 3550 Pittsview. (734) 997–1216. 372 students. Samantha Cucu, principal. International Baccalaureate World School. mitchell.a2schools.org
Pattengill, 2100 Crestland. (734) 994–1961. Grades 3–5 (students attend Bryant for grades K–2). 206 students. Valeska Bass, principal. pattengill.a2schools.org

Pittsfield, 2543 Pittsfield. (734) 997–1218. 230 students. Heather Hooppaw Miller, principal. pittsfield.a2schools.org
Thurston, 2300 Prairie. (734) 994–1970. 506 students. Cory McElmeel, principal. thurston.a2schools.org
Wines, 1701 Newport. (734) 994–1973. 465 students. David DeYoung, principal. wines.a2schools.org

Middle Schools

Grades 6–8. Enrollment figures are from the Fall 2024 Student Count.
Clague, 2616 Nixon. (734) 994–1976. 696 students. Principal TBA. clague.a2schools.org
Forsythe, 1655 Newport. (734) 994–1985. 635 students. Angela Newing, principal. forsythe.a2schools.org
Scarlett, 3300 Lorraine. (734) 997–1220. 616 students. Gerald Vazquez, principal. International Baccalaureate World School. scarlett.a2schools.org
Slauson, 1019 W. Washington. (734) 994–2004. 729 students. Brandon Szejewski, principal. slauson.a2schools.org
Tappan, 2251 E. Stadium. (734) 994–2011. 695 students. Tyese Parnell, principal. tappan.a2schools.org

High Schools

Grades 9–12 unless otherwise indicated. Enrollment figures are from the Fall 2024 Student Count.
Community, 401 N. Division. (734) 994–2025. 513 students. Marci Tuzinsky, dean. Alternative school.



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Huron, 2727 Fuller. (734) 994-2040. 1,697 students. Ché Carter, principal. International Baccalaureate World School. a2huron.org

Pathways to Success Academic Campus, 2800 Stone School Rd. (734) 997-1237. 165 students. Shaenu Micou, dean. For students needing a smaller, intimate academic environment. Multiple pathways and flexible learning opportunities, such as project-based learning, community internships, and dual enrollment opportunities for college credit. pathways.a2schools.org

Pioneer, 601 W. Stadium. (734) 994-2120. 1,674 students. Desmond Smith, principal. a2pioneer.org

Skyline, 2552 N. Maple. (734) 994-6515. 1,238 students. Casey Elmore, principal. a2skyline.org

Special Education

Ann Arbor Public Schools Office of Special Education. (734) 994-2318. Provides services to students with disabilities, including regular class placements with special assistance. Full-day programs in specialized classrooms for students with less common disabilities—such as emotional or moderate to severe cognitive impairments—are offered at select schools. Services from birth-age 26. Help with vi-

sion and hearing impairments for all ages. ose@a2schools.org, a2schools.org/specialeducation

Washtenaw Intermediate School District (WISD), 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 994-8100. Naomi Norman, superintendent. Coordinates educational services for Washtenaw County's 9 public school districts and public school academies, including programs for career technical education, homeless students, court-involved youths, special education, early childhood, and more. Operates early childhood and special education programs for birth-age 26 at various locations including High Point School, which serves county residents with severe disabilities. washtenawisd.org

Help Me Grow (WISD), 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 994-8186. Services for children from prenatal to kindergarten entry, especially with developmental delays or diagnosed disability. Provides no-cost preschool, developmental screenings, parent and caretaker support, home visiting programs, and more. helpmegrowwashtenaw.org

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Charter schools receive public education funds but operate independently of the local school system. Enrollment figures are from the 2024-2025 school year.

Central Academy, 2459 South Industrial. (734) 822-1100. 530 students in grades preK-12. Moh'd Abdelrahman, principal. Standard public school curriculum plus character education. Multicultural

school; Arabic taught as a second language. facebook.com/centralacademyannarbor

Honey Creek Community School, 1735 S. Wagner. (734) 994-2636. 250 students in grades K-8. Sue Hofbauer, executive director; Sherry MacKay, board president. Rigorous curriculum integrates thought and experience; centers on themes, complex projects, and service learning in a multiage setting. office@honeycreekschool.org, honeycreekschool.org

Multicultural Academy, 5550 Platt. (734) 677-0732. Grades K-11. Mohana Mukherjee, principal. Multiage classes in grades K-5. Focus on Common Core and language studies, including Arabic. Free busing available. macademyk8.com

Washtenaw Technical Middle College, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. (Technical & Industrial bldg., rm. 214). (734) 973-3410. 800 students in grades 9-12. Karl Covert, dean. Students earn a high school diploma and an associate's degree, or a technical certificate in a career area. wtmc@wccnet.edu, wccnet.edu/wtmc

PRIVATE SCHOOLS

Enrollment and tuition figures are from the 2024-2025 school year. Many private schools also offer preschool programs; see listings under Child Care & Preschool Programs.

Ann Arbor Academy, 1153 Oak Valley. (734) 747-6641. Grades K-13 (13th year bridge program to college or work). Meredith Schindler, director. Aims to help students with divergent learning styles thrive

in an atmosphere that promotes social and academic confidence and growth. Multisensory approach to learning and student-focused curriculum. Summer program. \$25,500/year with limited scholarships available. AIMS member; ISACS accredited. office@annarboracademy.org, annarboracademy.org

Ann Arbor Christian High School, 3150 Glazier Way (Grace Ann Arbor North). (810) 522-8533. Grades 9-11 in 2025-26 school year; will add an additional grade level with each subsequent year. Wayne Sit, head of school. Ann Arbor's first interdenominational Christian high school. Strong focus on Christian faith integration. \$12,168/year; tuition assistance available. office@annarborchristian.org, annarborchristian.org/high-school

Ann Arbor Christian School, 5500 Whitmore Lake Rd. (734) 741-4948. 237 students in grades preK-8. Wayne Sit, head of school. Interdenominational school with strong focus on Christian faith integration. PreK fees vary; \$6,012 for half-day kindergarten; \$10,774 for grades K-5; \$11,753 for grades 6-8. Sibling discounts and tuition assistance available. office@annarborchristian.org, annarborchristian.org

Ann Arbor Hills Child Development Center, 2775 Bedford. (734) 971-3080. Codirectors Ramelle Alexander & Amy Jordan. Warm, nurturing, and individualized programs for parents and toddlers, preschoolers, and junior kindergarten. admin@aahcdc.com, aahcdc.com

Ann Arbor Orthodox Classical Academy, 9900 Jackson Rd., Dexter. (734) 215-5739. Grades preK-4 offered for the 2025-2026 school year. Full-time in-person classes and homeschooling programs (microschooling, online, and blended learning). Christ-centered curriculum in the classical tradition. Small class sizes with a focus on mastery of information and concepts. Tuition discounts for multiple children; tuition assistance available for qualifying families. info@a2oca.org, a2oca.org

Christian Montessori School of Ann Arbor, 5225 Jackson Rd. (734) 332-9600. Grades K-3. Joe Henkel, head of school. Programs in a nondenominational Christian environment. Montessori-credentialed teachers; Montessori-certified elementary teacher. Full day \$1,537.92/month. Financial assistance available to qualified applicants. Open Feb.-Aug. admissions@cmsaa.org, cmsaa.org

Clonlara School, 1289 Jewett. (734) 769-4511. Sofia Gallis, executive director. K-12 personalized learning approach with campus, off-campus, and hybrid options. Afternoon enrichment courses open to homeschoolers and other local area students. Campus yearly tuition: grades K-6 \$12,500 (5 days/week) or \$9,375 (3 days/week); grades 7-8 \$13,600 (5 days/week) or \$10,200 (3 days/week); grades 9-12 \$16,000 (5 days/week). Sliding scale tuition model; limited number of scholarships available. Off-campus yearly tuition: grades K-8 \$1,350; grades 9-12 \$1,820. NCPSA, MSA, and Ai accredited. info@clonlara.org, clonlara-annarbor.org

Daycroft School, 1095 N. Zeeb. (734) 662-3335. Since 1960. 199 students from toddler-grade 6. David Lee, head of school. Low student-to-teacher ratios. Before- and after-school programs. Toddler tuition: \$14,000 half day, \$20,320 full day. Preschool: \$2,730-\$13,650 half day, \$4,100-\$20,500 full day. Kindergarten \$4,100-\$20,500; grades 1-6 \$4,620-\$23,100. Tuition ranges based on financial need; financial aid available. 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. ISACS and NAIS accredited. admissions@daycroft.org, daycroft.org

Emerson School, 5425 Scio Church Rd. (734) 665-5662. 330 students in grades Y5-8. David Feldman, head of school. Programs for bright and engaged students in STEM, world languages, art, music, physical education, and library. Average class size 15. Average teacher experience 15 years. Summer camps. Y5s \$20,840 full day; kindergarten \$23,210; grades 1-5 \$27,220; grades 6-8 \$29,420. Need-based financial aid available. admissions@emerson-school.org, emerson-school.org

Father Gabriel Richard High School, 4333 Whitehall. (734) 662-0496. Grades 9-12. Christopher Dotson, principal. Academic excellence in an authentic Catholic community. Core values: love God, love others, love learning, pursue excellence. 29 sports programs. \$14,300/year. Financial aid and merit scholarships available. fgoffice@fgrhs.org, fgrhs.org

Greenhills School, 850 Greenhills. (734) 205-4068. 700+ students in grades 6-12, expanding to preK-12 in 2026-27. Peter Fayroian, head of school. Average class size: 16. Helping students become curious, creative, and responsible citizens in preparation for college and beyond. admission@greenhillsschool.org, greenhillsschool.org

Hebrew Day School, 2937 Birch Hollow. (734) 971-4633. Grades YK-5. Will Keller, head of school. Dual curriculum structure provides excellence in general and Judaic education along with immersion in Hebrew, art, computer science, music, physical education, library, and SEL. Expert instruction in a

Full Circle Learning

At Clonlara, it can mean creating an art fair.

At the 2024 Clonlara Art Market, organizer Louisa Beemsterboer met vendors at the entrance, clipboard and walkie-talkie in hand, and escorted them to their designated spots. All was going according to plan—until she brought one artist to a site that didn't have a table.

"They said, 'I thought I had a table here,'" Louisa recalls. She looked at her clipboard; it said nothing about a table, but the artist was insistent. "I looked at them again, and I grabbed my walkie-talkie, like, 'Mark, we're going to need a table at 37.'"

Situation handled, like a boss. By the way, Louisa was eight years old at the time.

Founder Pat Montgomery established Clonlara School in 1967 to "allow children to be themselves, free to explore their interests and develop into individuals who [feel] free in their own skin," she told the Observer in 2017. Through what it calls Full Circle Learning (FCL), Clonlara empowers its students to pursue topics that spark their curiosity, and learn what they learn along the way.

Like the Clonlara Art Market. Louisa, who's now nine years old and in fourth grade, seems comfortable with event planning. But art is her true passion.

"I really like to draw," she declares. "It's my favorite thing ever."

After displaying her drawings as a vendor at a few children's art fairs, she decided she'd like to start her own event. She proposed her idea to her teachers and was assigned a mentor—Kelly Brewer, director of admissions.

"She helped me turn the art market into a real thing," Louisa says. "And we had to do a lot of stuff."

Stuff like budgeting, designing a flyer and signs to advertise the event, and inviting vendors to participate—both students and adults. Louisa's father, Mark (yes, the same Mark who brought the table to 37) works as a social studies and high school main room teacher at Clonlara. He says FCL taught Louisa about planning, interpersonal skills, organization, and keeping track of finances.



COURTESY OF CLONLARA SCHOOL

Clonlara founder Pat Montgomery and then-eight-year-old student Louisa Beemsterboer at the first annual Clonlara Art Fair—which Beemsterboer organized as a Full Circle Learning project.

"She wasn't just doing work. She's not just studying for a test," he says. "She's learning all these real-world skills in the classroom."

On the day of the Art Market, there were more than fifty booths; the event raised around \$1,000 to support arts on campus.

"The actual day I was like, 'I'm done. I did all that work!'" Louisa says with a satisfied little laugh. "Finally done."

That is, until earlier this year, when she organized the second annual Art Market. Featuring sixty vendors and a silent auction, the event raised over \$2,800 for renovations to the campus playground and outdoor space.

The third annual Clonlara Art Market will be on April 11, 2026.

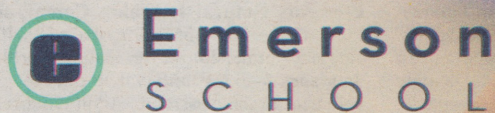
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Michigan Islamic Academy, 2301 Plymouth Rd. (734) 665-8882. 324 students in grades preK-12. Fayzeh Madani, principal. Montessori preschool and kindergarten. Full-time Islamic school. \$7,700 preschool; \$7,200 kindergarten; \$6,800 grades 1-8; \$7,000 grades 9-11; \$3,700 grade 12 (dual enrollment). Sibling discount. mia@mia-aa.org, mia-aa.org

Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor-Elementary & Middle School, 2775 Newport. (734) 995-4141. Grades 1-8. Immersive academics including hands-on experiences, music, languages, and fine arts. After-school care options available. admissions@steinerschool.org, steinerschool.org

Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor-High School, 2230 Pontiac Tr. (734) 669-9394. Grades 9-12. College-prep academics, immersive program including hands-on experiences, music, languages, and fine arts. admissions@steinerschool.org, steinerschool.org

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School, 2270 E. Stadium. (734) 821-2200. 480 students in preschool-grade 8. Julie Fantone Pritzell, principal. \$7,750 for grades K-8 (one student). Sibling discount. school@stfrancisaa.org, stfrancisaa2.com/school

St. Paul School of Ann Arbor, 495 Earhart. (734) 665-0604. 300 students in grades preK-8. Robert Burgess, principal. \$4,603/semester for St. Paul Church members, \$7,573 for community members. Sibling discount; financial assistance available. school.stpaulannarbor.org

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic School, 540 Elizabeth. (734) 769-0911. 165 students in preschool-grade 12. Michael Sauter, headmaster. Classical Catholic education with curriculum and pedagogy in union with formation of Catholic faith and practice. Spanish grades K-4, Latin grades 5-12. Upper and lower school choirs. Daily Mass or Adoration. msauter@sta2.org, sta2.org

Spiritus Sanctus Academy, 4101 E. Joy. (734) 996-3855. Grades preK-8. Sr. Mary David, OP, principal. Roman Catholic teachings; full academic program. annarbor@spiritussanctus.org, spiritussanctus.org

Summers-Knoll School, 2203 Platt. (734) 971-7991. Y5, preschool, and grades K-5. Becoming lower school of Greenhills School in 2026-2027. Peter B. Fayroian, head of school. Project-based, place-based, interdisciplinary learning in multiage classrooms for bright, gifted, and collaborative children. Preschool \$16,600 (includes aftercare); Y5s/Kindergarten \$19,500; grades 1-4 \$23,200; grade 5 \$23,500. info@summers-knoll.org, summers-knoll.org

Veritas Christi Catholic High School, 640 Ridgewood. (734) 645-1643. Grades 9-12. Charles (Chip) Clearwater, principal. Online Roman Catholic high school for students with special needs. mye@veritaschristi.com

CHILD CARE RESOURCES

Child Care Network (Great Start to Quality Southeast Resource Center), 3941 Research Park Dr., ste. C. (734) 975-1840. Training for child care providers, child care scholarships, and assistance with child care referrals using the greatstarttoquality.org website. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. info@child-care-network.org, child-care-network.org

CHILD CARE & PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Centers listed care for 13 or more children and are licensed by the Michigan Department of Human Services (MDHS). Most centers are open year-round and take applications any time, but those that run preschools or kindergartens often enroll for the school year. Hours are Mon.-Fri. unless otherwise specified.

Home Day Care: Ann Arbor has 11 active, registered day care family homes (for 6 or fewer children) and licensed group homes (for up to 12 children). For information, contact the Child Care Network. (734) 975-1840, childcarenetwork.org, or visit greatstarttoquality.org to search a database of family and group homes.

Allergies: Many centers have food allergy programs. Contact providers.

Key

BA — All teachers hold at least a bachelor's degree in child development or a related field



Gretchen Preston is the founder and owner of Gretchen's House (Child Care & Preschool Programs), which has nine locations across Ann Arbor.

Drop-in — Drop-in child care available

EC — Extended care before and/or after school for elementary students (some also provide transportation—call to ask)

NAEYC — Accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children

TT — Child must be toilet trained

Alaina's Children's Center-Downtown, 216 Beakes. (734) 761-8070. Full- and part-time day care and preschool for ages 6 weeks-12 years. Music program, camps, and field trips in summer, and Procure in all classrooms to connect parents with children. Adult-child ratios 1:3-1:10. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. info@alainascc.com, alainascc.com **Drop-in**

Alaina's Children's Center-East, 3220 Oakwood. (734) 973-7222. Full- and part-time day care for ages 6 weeks-6 years. Multiage preschool and preK for ages 2½-5. Camps and field trips in the summer. Procure in all classrooms to connect parents with children. Adult-child ratios 1:3-1:8. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. info@alainascc.com, alainascc.com **Drop-in**

Allen Creek Preschool, 2350 Miller. (734) 994-3382. Half-day preschool programs for ages 3-5. Teacher-child ratio 1:6. \$970/month. allencreek@allencreek.org, allencreek.org **BA**

Ann Arbor Children's House Montessori, 2309 Packard. (734) 330-8190. Montessori preschool and kindergarten for newborns-age 6. Teachers are Montessori trained. Adult-child ratio 1:8. Open late Aug.-early June. annarborchildrenshouse@gmail.com, annarborchildrenshouse.com

Ann Arbor Christian School Preschool Programs, 5500 Whitmore Lake Rd. (734) 741-4948. Half-day preschool and half- or full-day kindergarten with Christian faith integration. Age 3 meets Tues. & Thurs. 8:15-11:45 a.m. (\$2,039/year); age 4 meets Mon., Wed., & Fri. 8:15-11:45 a.m. (\$3,060/year); half-day kindergarten meets 8:15-11:45 a.m. (\$6,012/year), full-day kindergarten meets 8:15 a.m.-3:15 p.m. (\$10,774/year). Preschool students may enroll for additional days. After-school care available. office@annarborchristian.org, annarborchristian.org **EC**

Ann Arbor Hills Child Development Center, 2775 Bedford. (734) 971-3080. Preschool for ages 2½-preK. Codirectors Ramelle Alexander & Amy Jordan. Meets 2-5 days/week, 9 a.m.-noon. Optional extended programs until 3 p.m. Parents & toddlers class Fri. 9-10:15 a.m., young toddlers Fri. 10:30 a.m.-noon. admin@ahcdc.com, ahcdc.com **BA**

Ann Arbor Public Schools Before- and After-School Care (Rec & Ed), (734) 993-2300. Before- and after-school care offered at the following elementary schools: Abbot, Angell, Bach, Carpenter, Eberwhite, Haisley (buses to Abbot), Logan, and Wines. After-care offered at the following schools: Allen, Bryant, Dicken, Lakewood, Mitchell, Patten-gill (buses to Bryant), Pittsfield (buses to Mitchell), and Thurston. Full-time and 2- and 3-day morning and/or evening options available. \$99.20-\$621/month, depending on number of days. rec.ed.a2schools.org/beforeafter-care

Ann Arbor Public Schools Preschool Programs. Comprehensive preschool education for infants-age 5 at the following elementary schools: Allen, Bryant, Lakewood, Mitchell, Pittsfield, and Thurston. a2schools.org/teaching-learning/preschools

Ann Arbor Public Schools Westerman Preschool & Family Center, 2775 Boardwalk. (734) 994-2303. Comprehensive early childhood programs for infants-age 5. Principal Natasha York. Runs the **Head Start** and **Great Start Readiness Program** for children ages 3 & 4 who live in the Washtenaw Intermediate School District and meet eligibility guidelines. **Early Childhood Special Education** program for ages 3-5 who have diagnosed disabilities. Ongoing enrollment. Tuition-based programs are available. a2schools.org/preschool

Ann Arbor YMCA Child Development Center, 400 W. Washington. (734) 661-8058. Year-round child care for ages 2½-5; ages 3½-5 includes weekly swim lesson (school year only). After-school care for K-5 (enrollment & transportation from A2 Open, Bach, Eberwhite, Haisley, and Wines). Adult-child ratios 1:8-1:10. \$484-\$1,730/month; reduced rates available for YMCA members. 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Scholarships available; DHHS payment assistance accepted. ksanders@annarborymca.org, annarbor-ymca.org **EC, Drop-in, NAEYC**

Annie's Children's Center-West, 5350 Park. (734) 663-8081. Full- and part-time infant/toddler care, preschool, preK, and before-/after-school care for ages 6 weeks-12 years. Transportation available to/from Haisley and from Dexter schools. Camps and field trips in summer. 7 a.m.-6 p.m. westside@anniescc.com, anniescc.com, anniescc.com **BA, EC**

Bilingual House, Child Care Center, 3181 Packard. **Group Child Care Home**, 2788 Manchester Rd. (734) 477-0546. Full-time Mandarin Chinese and English immersion preschool and day care for ages 2 weeks-5 years. Offers developmentally appropriate programs for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers. Before- and after-school programs available. Adult-infant ratio 1:2, adult-toddler ratio 1:4, adult-preschooler ratio 1:6. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. info@bilingualhouse.org, bilingualhouse.org **Drop-in, EC**

Children's Creative Center, 1600 Pauline. (734) 769-0019. Day care for ages 1-6. Summer program for ages 6-13. Intern program for students in grades 6-9, who assist teachers. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:10. Toddler care: ages 1-2 (\$75/half day, \$85/full day). Young preschool: ages 2½-4 (\$70/half day, \$80/full day). PreK: ages 4-5 (\$65/half day, \$75/full day). aachildrenscreativecenter@gmail.com, childrenscreativecenter.org

Childtime Learning Center, 4220 Plymouth Rd. (734) 332-0062. Preschool for ages 6 weeks-5 years. Variety of scheduling options. 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. childtime.com/your-local-school/ann-arbor-mi-0628 **Drop-in, NAEYC**

Christian Montessori School of Ann Arbor Preschool Programs, 5225 Jackson Rd. (734) 332-9600. Programs in a nondenominational Christian environment for infants-age 5. Montessori-certified teachers. Morning and afternoon extended care available (4:30 p.m.). Financial assistance available to qualified applicants. Apply online. cmsaa.org **EC**

Community Day Care. CDC House, 1611 Westminster. (734) 761-7101. **CDC Forest**, 4001 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd., (734) 680-5282. Two locations for preschoolers ages 2½-5, GSRP at CDC Forest. Half- and full-day and part-week options available. Summer camp for rising grades 1-5. Adult-child ratio 1:7. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. Tuition assistance available; accepts state child care subsidy. info@community-daycareinc.org, communitydaycareinc.org **BA, EC** (for students attending Burns Park & Lawton), **NAEYC**

Dexter Cooperative Preschool, 8260 Jackson Rd. (734) 426-2491. Part-time preschool combining experienced teachers and parent/caregiver involvement. Age 3 meets Mon. & Thurs.; age 4 meets Tues., Wed., & Fri. Adult-child ratio 1:4. Morning (8:30-11 a.m.) and afternoon (noon-2:30 p.m.), Sept.-May. dexter-coop.com **BA**

The Discovery Center, 775 S. Maple. (734) 663-7496. Preschool and preK for ages 2½-5. Summer camp. Adult-child ratio 1:8. \$85-\$94/full day, \$74-\$85/half day, depending on schedule. info@discoverycentera2.com, discoverycentera2.com **BA**

Doughty Montessori School, 416 S. Ashley. (734) 663-8050. Since 1977. Montessori preschool and kindergarten for ages 2½-7 years. Summer programs. Adult-child ratio 1:7. Full time 8:15 a.m.-5:30 p.m., school day 9 a.m.-3:45 p.m., and half day 9 a.m.-noon. doughtymontessori.com

Early Childhood Center at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 971-0990. Full-day, half-day, and part-week options for early childhood education for children of all backgrounds, ages 2 months-5 years. GSRP for age 4. After-school care for elementary students. ecce@jccannarbor.org (early childhood enquiries), kidzone@jccannarbor.org (school-age enquiries), jccannarbor.org **EC, NAEYC**

Early Explorer Child Care Learning Center, 4080 Packard. (734) 369-6293. Full-day child care and preschool for infants-school age. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m. issamajeda81@gmail.com, earlyexplorerscenter.com

The Early Learning Center, 3070 Redwood. (734) 973-7722. Half-day preschool for ages 2½-5. Sept.-June 8:45 a.m.-noon. earlylearningcenterannarbor@gmail.com, elcpreschool.com **EC, TT**

Elements Natural Learning Community, 5141 Platt. (734) 369-3357. Play-based, self-directed care and immersion in the natural world for children ages 3-5½. Families help run the school and volunteer in the classroom. Adult-child ratio 1:7 or less. Full- and half-day care available; \$45-\$70/day. Scholarships available. Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. elementspreschoola2@gmail.com, elementspreschoolmi.com **BA, TT**

Everbrook Academy of Ann Arbor, 2380 Oak Valley. (734) 996-9352. Full- and part-time child care and preschool-preK, for ages 6 weeks-5 years. 7 a.m.-6 p.m. 6203@everbrookacademy.com, everbrookacademy.com **BA, NAEYC**

First United Methodist Cooperative Nursery (FUMCN Preschool), 120 S. State. (734) 662-7660. Co-op preschool for ages 3-5 (must be age 3+ by Sept. 1); Twos drop-off program (must be age 2 by Sept. 1); and Parent Playgroup (age 2½-3). Reggio Emilia-inspired, play-based approach to learning and kindergarten readiness. Parents assist in preschool class 6-9 times per semester. Twos class meets Tues.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-noon (from \$135-\$405/month, depending on number of mornings). Parent playgroup Mon. 9:30-11:30 a.m. (\$45/month). Flexible, multiage preschool classes 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (from \$190-\$475/month, depending on number of mornings). Extended-day option Mon., Wed., & Fri. 8:30 a.m. drop-off, with pick up between 3:30-4:30 p.m. (from \$205-\$615/month). Adult-child ratio 5:1. Tuition assistance available. susan@fumcnpreschool.org, fumcnpreschool.org **BA**

Foundations Preschool of Washtenaw County, 3770 Packard. (734) 677-8130. Celebrating 90 years. Day care, preschool, and family center for ages 6 weeks-5 years. Children entering grades K-1 may participate in Days of Discovery summer STEAM camp. GSRP participant. Meals and snacks provided. Adult-infant/toddler ratio 1:4; adult-preschooler ratio 1:8. Tuition based on a sliding scale. 7 a.m.-6 p.m. foundations-preschool.org **BA, NAEYC**

Glacier Way Cooperative Preschool, 900 S. Seventh (West Side United Methodist Church). (734) 995-0707. Preschool for ages 3-4. Adult-child ratio 1:4. \$950/semester. Sept.-May Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9 a.m.-noon. info@glacierwaycoop.org, glacierwaycoop.org **BA, TT**

Green Apple Garden Lower Playschool, 2664 Miller Rd. (734) 773-3182. Ages 6 weeks-3 years. Reggio Emilia-inspired, nature-based infant, toddler, and preschool programs. Part- and full-time. Adult-child ratio 1:4. 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. appleplayschools.org/greenapplegarden **Drop-in**

Green Apple Garden Upper Playschool, 511 Miller Ave. (734) 369-6563. Ages 2½-6 years. Reggio Emilia-inspired, nature-based toddler and preschool programs. Part- & full-time. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:8. 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. One GSRP classroom. appleplayschools.org/greenapplegarden **Drop-in**

Greenhouse Montessori School, 3613 Green Brier. (734) 913-0021. Montessori preschool and kindergarten for infants-6 years. Full- and half-day programs, extracurricular activities, and summer camp



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Monday, August 25, 2025

Ann Arbor Public Schools 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

www.a2schools.org/calendar

August 2025

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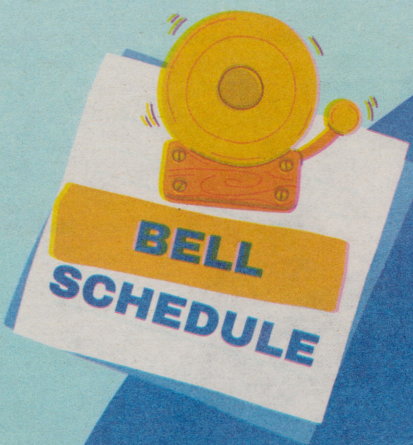
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Mon	Aug 25	First Day of School for Students - Half Day of School
Fri-Mon	Aug 29-Sep 1	No School for Students & Staff (Labor Day Holiday Break)
Tue	Sep 2	School Resumes
Mon	Sep 29	No School for Students; Staff PD
Wed	Oct 1	Student Count Day
Wed	Oct 8	PSAT-NMSQT 11th Grade (Late start for 9, 10, 12)
Fri-Mon	Oct 10-13	No School for Students & Staff (Early Fall Break)
Tue	Oct 14	School Resumes
Fri	Oct 31	Elem, K-8, Middle School half day (Report Writing)
Tue	Nov 4	No School for Students & Staff (Election Day)
Fri-Tue	Nov 21-25	Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams
Wed-Fri	Nov 26-28	No School for Students & Staff (Late Fall Break)
Mon	Dec 1	School Resumes
Mon-Fri	Dec 22-Jan 2	No School for Students & Staff (Winter Break)
Mon	Jan 5	School Resumes
Mon	Jan 19	No School for Students & Staff (MLK Day)
Tue-Fri	Jan 20-23	Community, Huron & Pioneer Semester Exams
Wed	Feb 11	Student Count Day
Fri-Tue	Feb 13-17	No School for Students & Staff (Mid-Winter Break)
Wed	Feb 18	School Resumes
Wed-Fri	Mar 4-6	Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams
Tue	Mar 10	Elem, K-8, Middle School half day (Report Writing)
Mon-Fri	Mar 30-Apr 3	No School for Students & Staff (Spring Break)
Mon	Apr 6	School Resumes
Thu	Apr 9	PSAT 8th & 9th Grade; WorkKeys 11th Grade (Late start 6,7,10,12)
Wed	Apr 15	SAT 11th Grade; PSAT 10th Grade (Late start 9,12)
Mon	Apr 27	Transition Day for 8th Grade; Early Release for High School Students
Thu	Apr 30	Transition Day for 5th Grade; Early Release for Middle School Students
Tue	May 5	No School for Students; Staff PD (Election Day)
Thu	May 14	Elem & K-8 Half Day Report Writing; Middle & High School Full day of school
Mon	May 25	No School for Students & Staff (Memorial Day)
Thu-Tue	Jun 4-5, 8-9	Community, Huron & Pioneer Semester Exams
Fri-Tue	Jun 5, 8-9	Pathways & Skyline Trimester Exams
Mon	Jun 8	Early Release for Middle School Students (MS/HS Exam Grading/Report Writing)
Tue	Jun 9	Last Day of School for All Students - Half Day

Note: Preschools and A2Virtual follow slightly different calendar - see school websites for information



	Drop Off Time	School Starts	Regular School Day Ends	First Day & Half-Days School Ends	Last School Day Ends
Huron/Pioneer/Skyline	7:53 AM	8:00 AM	2:51 PM	11:00 AM	9:40 AM
Community	7:53 AM	8:00 AM	2:57-3:50 PM*	11:00 AM	9:40 AM
Pathways	7:53 AM	8:00 AM	2:56 PM	11:00 AM	9:40 AM
Middle School	8:03 AM	8:15 AM	3:03 PM	11:15 AM	10:45 AM
K-8 (AA Open & A2 STEAM)	8:03 AM	8:15 AM	3:18 PM	11:15 AM	10:50 AM
Elementary (K-5)	8:43 AM	8:50 AM	3:53 PM	11:50 AM	11:35 AM
Westerman & Mitchell PK	8:15 AM	8:25 AM	3:48 PM	11:25 AM	--

*PM times vary based on students' schedules

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Gretchen's House-Dhu Varren, 1580 Dhu Varren. (734) 821-2800. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-11 years. After-school and summer programs for school-age children. Off-site school-age programs at Northside Community Church (929 Barton). Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:10. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. gretchenshouse.com/dhu-varren NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Mount Pleasant, 721 Mt. Pleasant. (734) 662-2739. The "Baby House." Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-3 years. Adult-child ratio 1:4. Mon.-Fri. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. brad.guoan@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com/mt-pleasant NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Mount Vernon, 700 Mt. Vernon. (734) 769-4402. The "Big House." Full- and part-time programs for ages 3-5. After-school care for school-age children. Off-site school-age program at Zion Lutheran Church (1501 W. Liberty). Summer camp for ages 5-7. Adult-child ratios 1:8-1:10. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. gretchenshouse.com/mt-vernon EC, NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Northside, 929 Barton (Northside Community Church). (734) 821-2801. After-school program for grades Y5-5 from A2STEAM at Northside. Summer programs for school-age children. Adult-child ratio 1:10. Summer hours 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m.; school-year hours school release-5:15 p.m. shannon.steinbach@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com/northside NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Oak Valley, 2340 Oak Valley. (734) 327-6125. Full-time programs for infants and toddlers. After-school and summer programs for

Dicken and Lawton students. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. karin.nowak@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com/oak-valley EC, NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Stadium, 1745 W. Stadium. (734) 663-4720. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-5 years. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:8. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. sara.guoan@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com/stadium NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Traver, 2625 Traver. (734) 761-7030. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-11 years. Summer programs for school-age children. Adult-child ratios 1:4-1:10. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. molly.davis@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com/traver NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Washtenaw Intermediate School District, 1735 S. Wagner. (734) 994-8111, ext. 1619. Full- and part-time programs for ages 3 months-5 years. 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. gretchenshouse.com/w-i-s-d NAEYC

Gretchen's House-Zion, 1501 W. Liberty. (734) 845-8991. After-school programs for grades Y5-5 from AA Open, Bach, and Eberwhite schools. Summer programs for school-age children. Adult-child ratio 1:10. Summer hours 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m.; school-year hours school release-5:15 p.m. shannon.steinbach@gretchenshouse.com, gretchenshouse.com/zion-church EC, NAEYC

Ivybrook Academy Ann Arbor, 5950 S. State. (734) 719-8184. Opening fall 2025 for the 2025-2026 school year. Proprietary curriculum inspired by Reggio Emilia, Montessori, and the theory of multiple intelligences. Half-day preschool program for ages 1½-5; dual-session option for age 3+. Discovery Program offers classes in music and movement, foreign language, creative expression, and literacy. Outdoor classroom programs. Adult-child ratios: toddlers and Y2s 1:4; age 2 1:7; age 3 1:8; preK and transitional kindergarten 1:10. Sept.-June 8:15 a.m.-noon & 12:45-4:30 p.m. Separate summer camp program July-Aug. 9 a.m.-noon. annarbor.campusativybrookacademy.com, ivybrookacademy.com/annarbor BA, NAEYC

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KinderCare Learning Center, 2300 S. Huron Pkwy. (734) 971-6626. Infant, toddlers, preschool, preK, and programs for ages 6 weeks–6 years. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:10. 6:30 a.m.–6 p.m. kindercare.com/our-centers/ann-arbor/mi/301165 NAEYC

KingCare, 3800 Waldenwood. (734) 994-4485. Child care enrichment program for King Elementary students during the school year. hbrscol@kingchild-care.com, kingchildsupervision.wixsite.com/kingcare

Little Blue Preschool, 113 Eighth. (734) 369-2792. Child care for ages 6 months–5 years. Focus on HighScope curriculum with opportunities for problem-solving and creativity. Adult-child ratios: baby/toddler 1:4; preschool 1:8. \$85/day ages 6 months–2½ years; \$65/full day ages 2½–5 years. 8 a.m.–5:15 p.m. littlebluepreschool.org BA

Little Folk's Corner, 4850 Dexter Rd. (734) 769-0944. Day care and preschool for ages 12 weeks–preK. Half- and full-day care available for all programs. littlefolks321@gmail.com, lfca2.com

Little Saints Preschool, 540 Elizabeth (St. Thomas the Apostle School). (734) 769-0911. Preschool for ages 2–5. Half day 8 a.m.–12:30 p.m.; school day 8 a.m.–3:10 p.m.; extended-day schedule 3:10–5:30 p.m. sta2.org/school/preschool EC, TT

Manzanitas Spanish Immersion Preschool, 2626 Packard. (734) 975-9104. Ages 6 months–6 years. Reggio Emilia-inspired Spanish-language immersion programs for infants, toddlers, preschool, and Y5s. Full- & part-time. Adult-child ratios 1:4–1:8 and 1:10. 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. appleplayschools.org/manzanitas Drop-in

Michigan Islamic Academy, 2301 Plymouth Rd. (734) 665-8882. Preschool and kindergarten for age 3+; includes Arabic language and Islamic studies. 8:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m. mia-aa.org, mia-aa.org

Oak Trails Montessori, 6727 Warren Rd. (734) 662-8016. Established 1956. Preschool, kindergarten, and transitional 1st grade for ages 2½–6. Adult-child ratio 1:8. Full- and part-time care available. Morning program 8:30 a.m.–noon, \$6,940; lunch program 8:30 a.m.–1 p.m., \$8,460; full-day program 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m., \$11,000. Sibling discount. heidioaktrails.org, oaktrails.org BA, TT

Rudolf Steiner School of Ann Arbor–Early Childhood Program, 2775 Newport. (734) 995-4141. Parent-child classes and mixed-age preK and kindergarten (with an outdoor kindergarten option). Half- and full-day programs, 3–5 days. Tuition dependent on day and time options. Additional rates for before- or after-care. 8 a.m.–3:30 p.m. admissions@steinerschool.org, steinerschool.org EC, Drop-in, TT

St. Paul Infant and Toddler Program–Downtown Campus, 225 Third St. (St. Paul Lutheran Church). (734) 668-0887. Year-round child care in a loving and Christian environment for children ages 6 weeks–3 years. Full-day program 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. aboakye@stpaulannarbor.org, school.stpaulannarbor.org

St. Paul Preschool–Main School Campus, 495 Earhart. (734) 821-2606. Year-round child care with a Christian base for ages 2½–5 years. Adult-child ratio 1:7. \$37.75/morning, \$59.75/full day. 7:30 a.m.–6 p.m. mslack@stpaulannarbor.org, school.stpaulannarbor.org BA, EC

Squiggle Room, 100 Oakbrook. (734) 369-4276. Reggio Emilia-inspired creative curriculum preschool program for ages 6 weeks–5 years. Emphasis on art, music, and movement. \$400–\$2,500/month. Enrollment openings for ages 3–4. 6 a.m.–6 p.m. squiggleroom.com

Stone School Cooperative Preschool, 2811 Stone School Rd. (734) 971-4820. Offering a play-based, child-centered preschool program for ages 2½–6 years; summer camp for ages 2½–12. Emphasis on academic readiness and social skills. Families assist with one job around the school and participate in two general meetings per year as a cooperative requirement. paige@stoneschool.org, stoneschool.org

Stony Creek Preschool Too!, 3460 Dexter Rd. (734) 213-2488. Full- and half-day child care and preschool for ages 6 weeks–7 years. Summer camps. 6 a.m.–6 p.m. stonycreekannarbor@gmail.com, stonycreekpreschools.com

Summers-Knoll Preschool, 2203 Platt. (734) 971-7991. Full-time preschool program for ages 3–5. Adult-child ratio 1:7. Annual tuition \$16,600. 8 a.m.–6 p.m. info@summers-knoll.org, summers-knoll.org

TLC Adventure Preschool, 1400 W. Stadium (Trinity Lutheran Church). (734) 645-5248. Serving the Ann Arbor community for over 55 years. ELEA-associated preschool for ages 2½–6. Adult-child ratio 1:6. \$480/month (plus \$75 registration fee). 5% sibling discount. Mon., Wed., & Fri. 9 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Sept.–May. preschool@trinitya2.org, trinitya2.org/preschool BA, TT

Triangle Cooperative Preschool, 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (First Presbyterian Church). (734) 221-0905. Mixed-age preschool for ages 3–4. Parents assist in class 1–3 times/month. \$675/semester for 2 days/

week; \$975 for 3 days; \$1,275 for 4 days. Sibling care available. Mon.–Fri. 9:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m. trianglecoop.org, trianglecoop.org

The U School, 3630 Plaza, stes. 5A and 6A. (734) 368-9551. A new-model preschool, preK, and Y5 program offering Skillful Togetherness Curriculum for ages 2½–5. Adult-child ratio 1:8. 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. ryan@theubuntuschool.org, theubuntuschool.org BA, Drop-in, EC

U-M Children's Centers. Health System Children's Center, 2601 Glazier Way. (734) 998-6195. **North Campus Children's Center**, 2800 Plymouth Rd. (734) 763-3939. **Towsley Children's House**, 710 S. Forest. (734) 763-3400. Full-day programs for newborns–age 5. Open to the public (priority for U-M affiliates, waiting list for enrollment). Ratios, hours, and tuition rates vary by center. childcare.umich.edu

Uno Dos Tres Spanish Immersion Preschool, 1500 Scio Church Rd. (734) 213-1123. Spanish immersion curriculum with a focus on communication, problem solving, and creativity. 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. info@unodostrespreschool.com, unodostrespreschool.com

EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

826michigan, 310 Porter Bldg., rm. 103 (EMU College of Education), Ypsi. (734) 761-3463. Writing center offers students ages 6–18 field trips, creative writing workshops, and in-school programs. All programs are free. info@826michigan.org, 826michigan.org

Ann Arbor Chinese Center of Michigan (AAC-COM) & Taiwan Center for Mandarin Learning (TCML), PO Box 130733, AA 48113. Discover Mandarin through interactive classes, cultural festivals, cultural workshops, and lively performances for adults and children, including classes in Chinese language (age 3–adult), yo-yo, musical instruments, K-pop dance, and Chen-style Taiji. Meets Sept.–May, Fri. 6–9:50 p.m. aaccom.org, aaccom.org/tcml

Ann Arbor Parent Advisory Committee for Special Education. Parents and guardians supporting children in AAPS who have IEPs or 504 Plans. Monthly online meetings present useful information and include relevant guest speakers. Executive committee members available to answer questions. Lively and supportive Facebook group. aapacexec@gmail.com, a2pac.wordpress.com

Bala Vihar, 4760 Packard (Chinmaya Mission Ann Arbor). (734) 904-8902. A forum through which children ages 3–18 learn Hindu practices and philosophies. Sun. 10–11:30 a.m. Labor Day–Memorial Day. sharada@umich.edu, vkramanathan@gmail.com, chinmaya-aa.org

Children's Literacy Network, 1100 N. Main, ste. 207 (NEW Center). (734) 255-3997. Free programs for children & their families (preK–grade 5) to organically develop literacy skills and a love of reading. Available in person and virtually, programming is delivered by CLN-trained staff/volunteers and includes individualized mentorship/social emotional learning opportunities, evidence-based literacy curriculum, and free books for every single participant and their families. kristin@childrensliteracynetwork.org, childrensliteracynetwork.org

Early College Alliance, 221 King Hall (EMU), Ypsi. A free, public early/middle college program. Washtenaw County students earn a high school diploma and up to 65 college credits from EMU. jackson@earlycollegealliance.info, earlycollegealliance.info

Education Project, 1819 S. Wagner. (734) 994-8100, ext. 1518. Works to ensure students experiencing homelessness, chronic absenteeism, and temporary living situations enroll, regularly attend, and succeed in school. Serves children and youth who lack a fixed, adequate, regular nighttime residence, including preschool siblings and those 18 and older who do not yet have a high school diploma or GED. ephycontact@washtenawisd.org, washtenawisd.org/services/ephy/eligibility

En Nuestra Lengua Literacy and Culture Project. Programa de alfabetización y cultura en español para niños bilingües cuyos padres son hispanohablantes. Free Spanish-language literacy program for Spanish/English bilingual children with Spanish-speaking parents. Saturday morning classes during the school year for children grades preK–5 at an AAPS building. Staffed by native Spanish speakers trained as teachers. en.nuestra.lengua@gmail.com

Family Learning Institute, 1954 South Industrial, ste. D. (734) 995-6816. Free one-to-one tutoring in reading and writing for students in grades 2–5. A student is matched with an adult volunteer for the school year. Priority is given to students from low-income households within Washtenaw County. In-person locations in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti; limited Zoom tutoring available. info@familylearninginstitute.org, familylearninginstitute.org

First Steps Ann Arbor (Rec & Ed), 2775 Boardwalk. (734) 994-2300, ext. 53186. Year-round classes and

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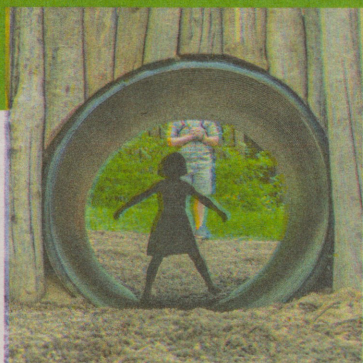
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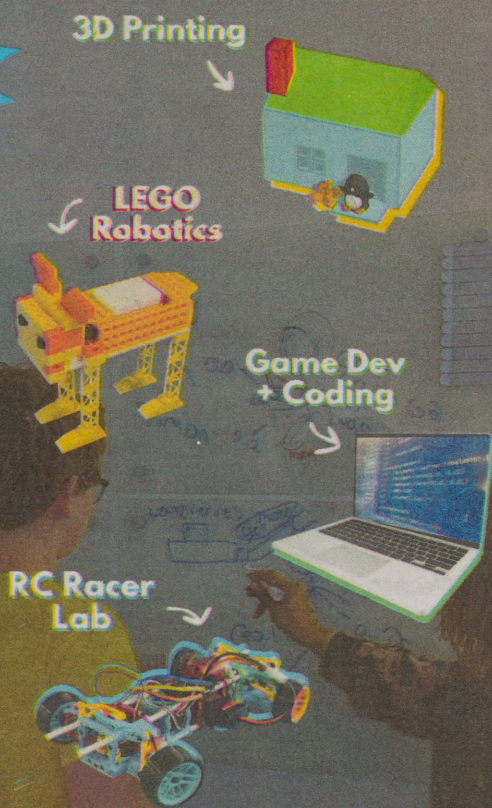
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German School of Ann Arbor, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. (WCC). (734) 833-9989. German language and culture classes, taught mainly in German, for ages 3-16. Sat. 9:30 a.m.-noon. deutscheschuleannarborenglisch.weebly.com

Girls Group, 1100 N. Main, ste. 101 (NEW Center). (734) 531-5996. Empowers young women to achieve emotional and economic self-sufficiency by ensuring they graduate from high school and begin college or their career. Programming spans middle/high school and beyond. Participants are mentored by experienced staff and interns, with year-round comprehensive programming on academic readiness, social/emotional life skills, financial education, and community service. info@girlsgroup.org, girlsgroup.org

Korean School of Ann Arbor, 2251 E. Stadium (Tappan Middle School). (734) 846-0887. Korean language, culture, and history classes, taught in English and Korean. Sept.-June. Sat. 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Open to all age 4+. ksafaa@yahoo.com, koreanschoolaa.org

Language Adventure, 2311 E. Stadium, ste. 105N. (734) 769-8378. After-school Spanish and French language/culture classes and programs for grades preK-8 with or without previous language experience. Gradual language immersion with fun activities, songs, stories, movement, and projects. info@language-adv.com, language-adv.com

Language Resource Center. Databases connect language learners with tutors and conversation partners. Tutors have different levels of experience and different hourly fees indicated in the database. lrc.contact@umich.edu, lsa.umich.edu/lrc/language-learning

Michigan Alliance for Families. (734) 926-8446. Free special education information, resources, and support for parents/caregivers of students with disabilities. Empowering parent/caregiver involvement in IEP process and special education system from birth-age 26. Offerings include 1:1 parent mentoring, a comprehensive, on-demand video library, and virtual learning/training opportunities. sanderson@michiganallianceforfamilies.org, michiganallianceforfamilies.org

Peace Neighborhood Center, 1111 N. Maple. (734) 662-3564. After-school and summer camp programs for kindergarten-high school students offering individualized support for academic, social, and emotional learning, recreational and enrichment activities, college and career prep, and age-specific support groups and counseling support. In-depth wraparound support for parents includes family enrichment programming, budget and planning assistance, wellness activities, support groups, individual & family counseling support, emergency assistance, and advocacy. info@peaceneighborhoodcenter.org, peaceneighborhoodcenter.org

Safety Town (Rec & Ed). (734) 994-2300, ext. 53224 or (734) 478-7831. Educational summer program teaches safety awareness using a child-size mock Ann Arbor "town" that children explore on bikes. Curriculum covers bike helmets, body safety, fire safety, riding a school bus, pedestrian safety, and more. For children entering Y5-grade 1 in the fall. Weeklong sessions offered in June & July, 8:30-11:30 a.m. Aftercare offered from 11:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Location varies annually; announced in the spring. Limited space available. Register online. safetytown@aaps.k12.mi.us, aarecedonline.com/safety-town-program

Staying in Closer Touch, 2275 Platt. Nonprofit program that links incarcerated parents with their children through reading. Volunteers record incarcerated family members reading to their children, and the recording, book, and a card from the parent are sent to the child. contact@stayinginclosertouch.org, stayinginclosertouch.org

Student Advocacy Center of Michigan, 124 Pearl, ste. 504, Ypsi. (734) 482-0489. Education advocacy, support, and mentoring for school-age children and youth facing school-related challenges, particularly school discipline and special education concerns. Services are free to families. helpline@studentadvocacycenter.org, studentadvocacycenter.org

Washtenaw Learning Disabilities Association. Provides information, resources, and support to individu-

als with learning disabilities and their families living in Washtenaw County. See website for a list of tutors, many trained in the Orton-Gillingham reading method. lda.washtenaw@gmail.com, washtenawlda.org

Washtenaw Success by 6, 1819 S. Wagner (WISD Teaching and Learning Center). (734) 994-8100, ext. 2178. County program works with 40+ community organizations to ensure that every child in Washtenaw County starts school ready to succeed. Provides resources for parents, including information on child development, preschool, child care, and health insurance. cklus@washtenawisd.org, washtenawsuccessby6.org

WISD Parent Advisory Committee (PAC), 1819 S. Wagner (WISD Teaching and Learning Center). (734) 994-8100. Parent group of Washtenaw County students with disabilities. Committee reviews and provides input on public school special education plans. Meets monthly during the school year. washtenawisd.org (search for PAC)

ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

Ann Arbor Area Piano Teachers. (734) 834-6236. Piano lessons by professional teachers. Comprehensive Find-a-Teacher online directory connects students with available teachers. Opportunities for students include recitals, master classes, performer's group, and evaluation. Subchapter of Music Teachers National Association. aapianteachers@gmail.com, a2pianoteachers.com

Ann Arbor Art Center, 117 W. Liberty. (734) 994-8004. Art classes for all ages, rotating exhibitions, and events. Painting, mixed-media, jewelry, ceramics, ArtLab (where traditional art meets technology), kids day camps during AAPS breaks, art parties, and events throughout the year. Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. info@annarborartcenter.org, annarborartcenter.org

Ann Arbor District Library. *Downtown Library*, 343 S. Fifth Ave. *Malletts Creek Branch*, 3090 E. Eisenhower. *Pittsfield Branch*, 2359 Oak Valley. *Traverwood Branch*, 3333 Traverwood. *Westgate Branch*, 2503 Jackson Ave. (734) 327-4200. Events, books, movies, musical instruments, science tools, board games, art prints, and more for kids and families year-round at 5 library locations. Preschool storytimes (children age 2+ accompanied by caregivers) and baby playgroups (children under age 2 accompanied by caregivers). The Summer Game offers a classic summer reading game, plus puzzles, programs, codes, and prizes. Free library events include arts & crafts activities, film screenings, author & storyteller visits, and musical programs. ask@aadl.org, aadl.org

Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, 220 E. Ann. (734) 995-5439. Works to inspire curiosity, exploration, and respect for STEM and the natural world. More than 250 interactive exhibits attract more than 300,000 visitors annually. With Leslie Science & Nature Center, offers field trips, and outreach programming for schools, libraries, and communities statewide and around the world in addition to preschool, family, and adult programming. museum@aahom.org, discoverscienceandnature.org

Ann Arbor Music School, 1806 Dexter Rd. (213) 948-8007. Private lessons in guitar, bass, mandolin, ukulele, and songwriting/production. Lessons 7 days/week for age 6+. Band mentoring/coaching through the process of playing together, writing songs, booking shows, and recording. a2musicschool@gmail.com, a2musicschool.com

Ann Arbor Saline Music Center, 135 E. Bennett, Saline. (734) 883-4751. Since 1998. Private lessons in guitar, bass (electric & upright), drums, voice, piano, banjo, trumpet, trombone, and ukulele. Rock and jazz band classes for age 7+. Workshops, clinics, summer camps, custom-made guitars, and guitar repairs. All skill levels welcome. a2musiccenter@gmail.com, a2musiccenter.com

Ann Arbor Suzuki Institute of Music. (734) 272-8973. Shannon Jansma, coordinator. Private instruction in violin, viola, cello, bass, and guitar for age 3+. Early childhood music classes for parents with babies and toddlers. Rooted in the Suzuki method with a focus on community, play, and lifelong learning. Includes regular group lessons, recitals, and group concerts. shannonviolin-aasi@gmail.com, annarbor-suzuki.org

Ann Arbor Youth Chorale, 1100 N. Main, ste. 111 (NEW Center). (734) 996-4404. Since 1987. Two auditioned ensembles (Descant Choir and Concert Choir) for children and youth ages 9-18 with unchanged treble voices. Both choirs rehearse Tues. evenings, Sept.-May, perform annual winter & spring concerts, and travel locally. Concert Choir tours nationally every other year. aaycadmin@a2yc.org, a2yc.org, a2yc.org/auditions

Ann-Hua Chinese School, 3250 Plymouth Rd., ste. 203. (734) 780-7081. A WASC-accredited bilingual supplementary education program that offers online and in-person Chinese language and cultural classes plus summer culture camp and other enrichment



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classes in math, science, and English language arts for grades preK–12 and adults. contact-us@annhual.org, principal@annhual.org, annhual.org

Art Corner Studio, 2739 Plymouth Rd., ste. A. (734) 358-9724. Fine art studio offering year-round classes in drawing, painting, sculpture, and digital art (including Photoshop and Blender) for grades K–12. Mentors high schoolers with art school applications and portfolio preparation. Personalized mentorship and dedicated support for students with special needs. Hosts company team-building workshops, summer camp, and birthday parties. artcornerartschool@gmail.com, artcornerstudio.com

Boychoir of Ann Arbor. (734) 663-5377. Nonprofit community youth choir offering musical opportunities for musical boys in grades 3–12. Three ensembles present secular and sacred works by classical and contemporary composers in seasonal local concerts. Also perform for community organizations, events, and private functions. Occasional travel to choral festivals. Day camp in June. Ongoing open auditions by appointment. No experience needed. office@a2boychoir.org, facebook.com/boychoirannarbor

Bryant Community Center (Community Action Network), 3 W. Eden. (734) 477-0292. Supervised after-school educational and recreational programs for grades K–12. Six-week summer day camp for grades K–5 features swimming, reading, activities with dogs, art, games, and field trips. Call for fees, schedule, and eligibility requirement information for Bryant residents. Scholarships available. Similar programs available for residents of Hikone, Green Baxter, Creekside Court, and Arrowwood Hills. can-washtenaw.org/education

Buhr Park Children's Wet Meadow Project, 2751 Packard. (734) 794-6230. Children, neighbors, and friends helped create and continue to care for this educational site and ecosystem. Features throughout the park act as filters for stormwater runoff and support a diverse habitat of plants, insects, and animals. Workdays and projects open to all ages. info@wetmeadow.org, wetmeadow.org

Clay Work Studio, 2763 Plymouth Rd. (734) 604-7596. Monthly youth class for ages 8–17 introduces basic techniques. Weekly summer camp for ages 8–18. clayworkstudio.lee@gmail.com, clayworkstudio.com

Gallup Park River Kids, 3000 Fuller. (734) 794-6240. Exploratory program for ages 2–7 (with caregiver) using kayaks, canoes, or paddleboats on Gallup Pond, plus fishing, stories, art, and play. Each session is once per week for four weeks. Preregistration required. \$70 per child Ann Arbor residents; \$84 non-residents; siblings half price. a2gov.org (search for River Camps)

Girl Scouts Heart of Michigan, 7050 Jomar Dr., Whitmore Lake. (734) 714-5140. Six age divisions for girls ages 5–18. Activities include camping, leadership, career exploration, and community service. Call to volunteer, join, or start a troop. helpdesk@gshom.org, gshom.org

KidZone at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 971-0990. Grades K–5. After-care until 6 p.m. Computer lab, homework support, nutritious snacks, indoor and outdoor play, monthly theme weeks incorporating athletics, arts, crafts, creative learning, and more. Vacation jobs and field trips when school is not in session. kidzone@jccannarbor.org, jccannarbor.org/departments/youthteens/kidzone

Leslie Science & Nature Center, 1831 Traver. (734) 997-1553. With trails, nature playscape, live animals, and programming, the LSNC works to inspire curiosity, exploration, and respect for STEM and the natural world. Together with the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, offers field trips, and outreach programming for schools, libraries, and communities statewide and around the world in addition to preschool, family, and adult programming. info@lesliesnc.org, discover-scienceandnature.org

Little Bands, 2349 E. Stadium. (734) 627-7107. Students age 4+ join a band, learn songs on vocals and four instruments (piano, guitar, bass, drums), improvise, and compose. Private lessons and summer camps available. littlebands@gmail.com, littlebands-music.com

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Music For Little Folks. (734) 741-1510. Gari Stein, founder & director. Community music school based in traditional folk music for children from infancy–age 5 and their grown-ups. Classes include Sing With Me (music, movement, instrument, & art exploration), mixed-age class Wed., Nurturing Baby and Play for babies to pre-walkers, and Sing, Dance, Play for babies–age 5. Outdoor and virtual Music Playgroup through Ann Arbor YMCA. Ann Arbor Symphony KinderConcerts at area libraries. garistein0125@gmail.com, little-folks-music.com

Neutral Zone, 310 E. Washington. (734) 214-9995. Youth-driven teen center for grades 9–12 offering programs in the visual arts, music technology, community leadership, education, and literary arts. Drop-in activities include tutoring, pool, ping-pong, art studio, computer lab, and a recording studio. Weekend events (sometimes a cover charge) include live music, DJ parties, movie nights, and poetry slams. Drop-in activities and tutoring are free. Mon.–Fri. 2:30–6 p.m. during school year with special events on Sat. & Sun. info@neutral-zone.org, neutral-zone.org

Oz's Music, 1920 Packard. (734) 662-8283. Full-service instrument store offering sales, repairs, rentals, and in-person/online music lessons, including voice, theory, composition, and a variety of instru-

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PoetTreeTown. Since 2023. A community arts initiative dedicated to celebrating the talent and creativity of Washtenaw-based poets, especially welcoming to children and emerging writers (age 6+). Venues in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti hang selected works by local poets in their storefront windows in April for all to enjoy. No prior poetry or publication experience required. Submissions open Jan. 1–Feb. 15. poettreetowna2@gmail.com

Rec & Ed (Ann Arbor Public Schools Community Education and Recreation), 1515 S. Seventh (behind Pioneer High School). (734) 994-2300. Year-round recreational sports leagues. Classes for preschool–grade 8 offered year-round after school, evenings, and weekends. Enrichment classes include art, chess, dance, drama, languages, music, nature, and science. aareced.com, aarecedonline.com (online registration for camps and classes)

Robinsongs for Kids, 1526 N. Maple. (734) 929-2133. Music Together music and movement program for young children and their parents/caretakers. Classes come with songbook/CD and include singing, movement, rhythmic rhymes, and instrument play. Mixed Age (age 5 & under), Rhythm Kids (ages 4–8 for music, movement, and drumming), and Babies (8 months & under) classes in Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. director@robinsongsforkids.com, robinsongsforkids.com

School of Rock, 6101 Jackson Rd. (734) 686-3333. One-on-one guitar, bass, drum, singing, and keyboard/piano lessons combined with group band rehearsals. Courses include performance, songwriting, and Rock 101, where students learn simplified versions of classic rock songs; House Band music program lets students under 18 join a gigging band. Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 2–9 p.m., Wed. 2–10 p.m., Fri. 3–8 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.–3 p.m. annarbor@schoolofrock.com, schoolofrock.com/locations/annarbor

Scouting America, Michigan Crossroads Council, 14258 Michigan St., Eagle 48822. (517) 940-4210. Activities for young people in Cub Scouts (grades K–5) and leadership activities in Scouts BSA (grades 6–12), Venturing and Sea Scouting (ages 14–21, 13 if 8th grade completed). See beascout.org for area groups. michiganscouting.org

Scrap Creative Reuse, 4567 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 800-4137. Nonprofit organization whose mission is to inspire creative reuse and environmentally sustainable behavior by providing educational programs and affordable materials to the community. Donated surplus materials spark kids' imagination for crafting, building, or projects. Tues.–Sat. 10 a.m.–6 p.m., Sun.–Mon. noon–5 p.m. annarbor.scrapcreativereuse.org

Spinning Dot Theatre, 900 S. Seventh. (734) 585-5134. Creates international plays for kids and their families. Global stories performed by actors age 8+. Summer theater camps. Artist-in-residency and satellite programs. hi@spinningdot.org, spinningdot.org

Talking Colors Art School, 2230 Pontiac Tr. (Rudolf Steiner High School). (734) 680-3532. Art education for students age 6+. Summer camp and after-school program. College portfolio preparation. elenatef@gmail.com, talkingcolors.com

Throw Art Studio, 130 Jackson Plz., ste. 2A. (734) 776-8832. Pottery studio with wheel throwing sessions, summer camps, teen classes, pottery painting, one-time classes, and events. support@throwannarbor.com, throwannarbor.com

U-M Museum of Natural History, 1105 North University. (734) 764-0478. The U-M Museum of Natural History includes exhibits that explore the natural world from molecules to dinosaurs, a planetarium, public labs, and opportunities to meet real scientists. Tues.–Sun. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Daily 10 a.m.–5 p.m. in Jun.–Aug. Free admission. ummnh.info@umich.edu, ummnh.org

U-M Michigan Youth Ensembles, 2005 Baits (Stearns Bldg., U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance). (734) 936-2660. Brings together middle and high

school students, selected by audition, for weekly rehearsals at the U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance. Students engage in a stimulating musical environment, learning directly from U-M conductors, applied faculty, and graduate students, and perform in U-M concert venues. Ensembles include a full symphony orchestra and wind ensemble, jazz ensemble, chamber choir, middle-school string orchestra, trombone and percussion ensembles, and an academic musicianship course. smt-d-youthandadult@umich.edu, smt-d.umich.edu/mye

Voce Velata. A strategic initiative that brings together young, emerging, and professional musicians to unveil the legacies of Black, Indigenous, People of Color, and Women composers through multimedia interactive performances. Open to ages 11+; rolling auditions. Resources available for music educators who wish to diversify their curriculum and deepen their social justice practice. info@vocevelatamusic.org, vocevelatamusic.org

Washtenaw Camp Placement, 3135 S. State, ste. 350D. (734) 971-4537. Established 1962. Provides scholarships and other support for sleepaway summer camp to Washtenaw County youths in grades 4–11 who have less access to opportunity. afales@washtenawcampplacement.org, mtw@washtenawcampplacement.org, washtenawcampplacement.org

Washtenaw County 4-H (MSU Extension), 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 997-1678. Provides young people with experiential learning opportunities in project areas that include livestock, small animals, crafts, gardening, food and nutrition, environmental education, and more. canr.msu.edu/washtenaw/washtenaw_county_4_h

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Programs for youth include summer camps (day and overnight), dance, swimming, gymnastics, basketball leagues, Spanish, yoga, fencing, and martial arts. Teens have access to an after-school center and other special programs. Financial assistance available. annarborymca.org

Young People's Theater, 331 Metty, ste. 3. (734) 222-4006. Professional-quality theater experiences for grades K–12. Programs include: fall/spring mainstage productions performed at the U-M Power Center and Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre, extensive tech program for working "backstage," performance arts classes, and summer camps. ypt@youngpeoplestheater.com, youngpeoplestheater.com

YOUTH SPORTS

Multi-Sport Programs

Liberty Athletic Club, 2975 W. Liberty. (734) 665-3738. Tennis and swim teams and an array of year-round youth fitness classes, including strength training and yoga. Members only. liberty@libertyathletic.net, libertyathletic.net/youth

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822-2120. Soccer, T-ball/machine pitch baseball, track, and street hockey leagues. Also offers a wide array of youth programs and classes, including soccer, track, martial arts, volleyball, and dance & tumbling. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, recreation.pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Soccer, field hockey, flag football, basketball, volleyball, futsal, and baseball/softball/T-ball teams. Emphasis on safe and inclusive recreational sports opportunities for all young people, regardless of race/ethnicity, socioeconomic status, origin, ability, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression. Youth may register using a variety of gender terms, including nonbinary/gender fluid. Team assignments completed according to school attendance area, unless parents request otherwise. pickvetw@a2schools.org, joffet@a2schools.org, reced.a2schools.org/sports

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Large selection of youth sports and instructional leagues. Wide offering of half- and full-day summer sports and specialty camps. Year-round multi-sports classes for children ages 3–4. Financial assistance available. membership@annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org

Archery

Washtenaw County Parks & Recreation, 7734 Plymouth Rd. (Staebler Farm County Park). 2960 Washtenaw Ave. (Meri Lou Murray Recreation Center). Intro classes for families ages 8+ at Staebler Farm County Park from Apr.–Oct. Scout troops welcome. Classes at Meri Lou Murray Recreation Center offered from Nov.–Mar. Noncompetitive atmosphere with a focus on fundamentals, safety, and form. dehringk@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/3748/archery

Baseball, Softball, & T-Ball

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation T-ball/ Baseball, 701 W. Ellsworth (Pittsfield Twp. Park).

(734) 822-2120. Coed fall/spring leagues include T-ball (ages 4-6; fee \$75) and machine pitch (ages 7-9; fee \$85). No experience required. One game and one practice per week. Fee includes shirt and cap. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Summer baseball, softball, and T-ball leagues for grades Y5-8. rec.ed.a2schools.org/sports/youth-team-sports

Ypsi-Arbor American Little League (YALL), PO Box 970885, Ypsi 48197. Coed spring/fall baseball and softball. T-ball (ages 4-6), coach pitch (ages 6-7), advanced coach pitch (ages 8-10), minors (ages 8-10), majors (ages 11-12), and juniors (ages 13-14). No cuts. One practice and one local game per week; older divisions may have 2-3 double-headers. Fees: \$40-\$140, depending on division and time of registration; includes jersey and hat. Helmets available to borrow. Financial aid available. contactus@ypsiarborll.org, ypsiarborll.org

Ypsilanti National Little League, 70 S. Harris, Ypsi. (734) 218-1007. Coed spring/fall T-ball, baseball, and softball for areas in Washtenaw County including northeast Ann Arbor. T-ball (ages 4-6), coach/kid pitch (ages 6-8), minors (ages 8-10), majors (ages 9-12), and junior league (ages 12-15). No tryouts; new players welcome. Registrations in early March and August. Fees: \$50-\$175, depending on division; includes jersey and hat. Equipment and financial aid available by request. info@ypsinational.org, ypsinational.org

Basketball

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Fall league for grades 2-3 and winter league for grades 4-8. pickvetw@a2schools.org, rec.ed.a2schools.org/sports/youth-team-sports

Y-Prodigy AAU Basketball, 400 W. Washington. (743) 996-9622. Boys and girls AAU teams for grades 5-9. Tryouts. Competitive, local travel basketball program. League dates, practice times, and cost all vary. tlange@annarbormymca.org, gdprodigybasketball@gmail.com, annarbormymca.org/program-offerings

YMCA In-House Basketball League, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Three seasons offered Oct.-Apr. for boys, girls, and coed. Meets 2 days/week for practices and games. Fee: \$70 member, \$140 non-member (includes jersey). tlange@annarbormymca.org, annarbormymca.org/program-offerings

Cheer

Junior Wolverines Cheer, PO Box 306, AA 48106. Coed fall teams for ages 5-13. No experience re-

quired. Practices at Pioneer High School 5 days/week in preseason and 3 days/week during school year; cheers at 8 local games. Fee: \$300 (includes uniform and equipment). wbjw.registrar@gmail.com, junior-wolverines.org/cheer

Washtenaw Maize Junior Football and Cheer. President Adriya Perry, (734) 352-1551. Fall cheer-leading team. Mascot Maize Cheer for ages 4-6 (fee: \$200), Freshman for ages 7-9, Junior Varsity for ages 10 & 11, and Varsity for ages 12 & 13 (fee: \$300). No tryouts. Practices at Huron High School 4 days/week; cheers at every football game and in a Downriver Junior Football League cheer competition. Fee includes uniform. cheerdirector@wjfmaize.org, wjfmaize.org

Cycling

Ann Arbor Bike Party, 315 Detroit St. (Ann Arbor Farmers Market). Slow bike rides throughout Ann Arbor for riders of all ages. Families and beginners welcome. Last Fri. of the month, Apr.-Oct., 7 p.m. bikeinannarbor@gmail.com, a2bikeparty.com

Ann Arbor Velo Club Juniors, PO Box 3658, AA 48106. Coached bike training for age 18 and under. Weekly lessons. Road/track racing Apr.-Oct. with 11-14 local & regional races. Cyclocross (mud/grass racing) Oct.-Nov. with 8-10 races. \$30 individual membership; \$50 family membership. annarbor-veloclub.org/juniors

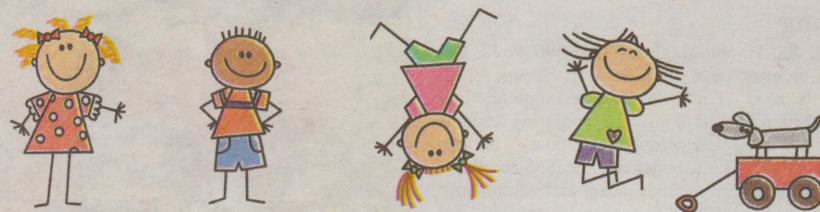
Ann Arbor Youth Mountain Bike Team. July-Oct. program for elementary (grades K-5) and intermediate (grades 6-8) students. No experience required. Casual, group training rides in the summer including 1-3 practices/week on dirt/gravel roads outside Ann Arbor or on trails at area parks. Six optional Michigan Scholastic Cycling Association (MiSCA) races (boys and girls divisions) held throughout Michigan. Fee: \$40/rider, plus \$75/race MiSCA fee. wimmiscambt@gmail.com, annarboryouthmtbteam.com, miscabike.org

Dance

Dance Theatre Studio, 2363 E. Stadium. (734) 995-4242. Youth classes for ages 3-18, including ballet, tap, hip-hop, contemporary, jazz, musical theater, and pointe (Sept.-May, with a spring recital). Experienced dancers in middle school and older can audition in May for company placement, which includes one local competition and two performances. Fee: \$42-\$80/month. dancetheatrestudioa2@gmail.com, dancetheatrestudio.net

Randazzo Dance Studio, 4569 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 477-9350. Est. 1940. Preprofessional company classes in ballet and pointe. Placement by audition. Recreational classes for age 4+, including ballet, tap,

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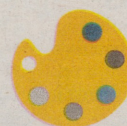
Cyclists from the Ann Arbor Youth Mountain Bike Team (Youth Sports) celebrate their second and fifth place finishes in a Michigan Scholastic Cycling Association (MiSCA) race. Team members have the option to participate in up to six MiSCA races across the state.



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Children

modern, jazz, musical theater, hip-hop, and lyrical. Creative movement class offerings for babies and toddlers. randazzodance@gmail.com, randazzodance.com

Fencing

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Beginning, intermediate, and advanced classes for all ages. Advanced fencing, open by recommendation/demonstration of skill, is aimed at preparing students for USFA or collegiate competition, and may include a field trip to a USFA tournament. Fee: \$55 members, \$155 nonmembers (includes jacket and equipment). tsteenrod@annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org/offering-category/fencing

Field Hockey

Fer de Lance Field Hockey Club, PO Box 4316, AA 48106. Field hockey training and travel competition for all genders ages 8-18. Academy is open to any players and includes clinics, winter/summer leagues, and open training. Elite is a full-commitment, invitation-only travel program with year-round training (Sept.-Aug.) and regional/national competitions. Travel teams selected through assessment. ferdelancefieldhockey@gmail.com, fdlhc.com

Pinnacle Field Hockey. Travel team for U10/U12/U14 Sept.-June, U16/U19 Nov.-June. Practices at U-M Ocker Field (1202 S. State). Cost varies by age group. pinnacleplayfh@gmail.com, pinnaclefieldhockey.com

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Coed fall/spring leagues for grades 3-4 and 5-6. No tryouts or cuts. Six games per season. Fee: \$135 residents, \$145 nonresidents (includes jersey). joftet@a2schools.org, reced.a2schools.org/sports/youth-team-sports

Football & Flag Football

Junior Wolverines, PO Box 306, AA 48106. Three coed teams (freshman, JV, and varsity) for ages 8-13. Practices at Pioneer High School 5 times/week in pre-season and 3 times/week in season. 8 local games. No experience required. Fee: \$400 (includes equipment/jersey). wbjw.registrar@gmail.com, juniorwolverines.org

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Fall/spring leagues for grades Y5-8. Practice followed by a game one day per week. pickvetw@a2schools.org, reced.a2schools.org/sports/youth-team-sports

Trophy Sports Club, (734) 730-6000. Nonprofit youth sports club offering flag football in spring. Sponsored by Calvary Church of Ann Arbor. trophysportsclub@gmail.com, trophysportsclub.org

Washtenaw Maize Junior Football and Cheer. Adriya Perry, president, (734) 352-1551. Downriver Junior Football League team with three levels: freshman (ages 7-9, up to 125 lbs.), junior varsity (ages 10-11, up to 145 lbs.), and varsity (ages 12-13, up to 180 lbs.). Practices at Huron High School 4 days/week. Fee: \$300 (includes jersey). wjfmaize.org

Golf

City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation. *Huron Hills*, (734) 794-6246. *Leslie Park*, (734) 794-6245. **Huron Hills** is a welcoming course for beginner and intermediate golfers, including "wee-tees" for smaller golfers, camps, classes, and lessons. Rates: \$10-\$40 per day (equipment extra). **Leslie Park** is a nationally recognized golf course. Rates: \$20-\$60/day (equipment extra). Both courses offer reduced fees through a partnership with Youth On Course: \$5 for 18 holes, \$3 for 9 holes. a2golf.org

Gymnastics

Gym America, 5555 Hines. (734) 971-1667. Year-round invitation-only teams for ages 5-18: Pre-Team, Girls, and Boys. Pre-Team offers training in entry-level gymnastic skills, physical conditioning, and performance. Girls and Boys teams are based on skill. Practice 1-6 days/week, depending on level. Fees vary based on team. gymamericaooffice@gmail.com, gymamericagymnastics.com

Michigan Academy of Gymnastics, 240 Metty, ste. C. (734) 761-7610. USAG Jr. Olympic girls and boys teams. Tryouts in spring. Competes in state, regional, and national meets through USA Gymnastics. michiganacademy.com

YMCA Gymnastics, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Gymnastics offered year-round for ages 1-15. Classes range from Parent & Tot classes up to Level 3. Fees vary depending on level. tlange@annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org



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Rec & Ed offers no-tryout, no-cut fall and spring soccer leagues for grades Y5-8 (Youth Sports). In the cold fall and winter months, there are futsal (indoor soccer) leagues for grades Y5-5.

Hockey

Biggby Coffee Hockey Club, 2121 Oak Valley Dr. (734) 213-1600. Youth hockey for ages 4-18U. Take a Shot at Hockey (ages 3-12) offers 6 weeks of free 30-minute/week lessons; includes free gear. Little Wings Learn to Play (ages 5-9) teaches fundamentals. T3 Program (ages 6U-16U) practices 2 days/week with weekly games, limited travel, and LCAHL league play. Travel Program T2 has 2 practices and 2+ games/week, off-ice program and tournaments, 35-55 games per season, and travel LCAHL league play. AAA Hockey (10U-14U in Ann Arbor) is an elite travel program with 2+ practices/week, off-ice training with each practice, video review included in practices, and 60-75 games/season. a2ice3@a2ice3.com, biggbycoffeeicecube.com/ann-arbor/hockey

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation Street Hockey, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822-2120. Coed winter/summer street hockey league for ages 6-11. No experience required. Practices 1 day/week; 1 game/week. Fees include jersey and equipment. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Ice Skating

Ann Arbor Figure Skating Club, 2121 Oak Valley (Ann Arbor Ice Cube). (734) 213-6768. All-gender Aspire and Hockettes teams. Tryouts in April. Aspire competitions are local/regional. Hockettes is a year-round synchronized skating team with practices at least one day/week, and competitions that may involve international travel. AAFSC also offers a wide array of programming for all ages, including Learn to Skate classes, adaptive skating, and opportunities for showcase skating, singles freestyle, and ice dance. Fees include costumes. annarborfsc.org

Lacrosse

Ann Arbor Blue Jays Lacrosse. Spring lacrosse open to boys grades 1-8 and girls grades 5-8; teams are gender-specific and typically split by grades 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, and 7-8. Practices at Lillie Park (4365 Platt) 2-3 days/week; 8-14 local and regional games/season. Fee: \$425, plus \$75 for uniform. Some scholarships available. a2bluejayslax@gmail.com, a2bluejays.com

Martial Arts

Asian Martial Arts Studio, 208 S. Fourth Ave. (734) 994-3620. Youth programs for ages 6-12, and 13-17. Instruction of basic techniques from Okinawan karate-do, aikido, and kung fu. info@a2amas.com, a2amas.com

Japanese Martial Arts Center, 2875 Boardwalk, ste. H. (734) 720-0330. Karate and judo classes for all ages. \$145/month for kids; \$179/month for adults. info@japanesemartialartscenter.com, japanesemartialartscenter.com

Kils Martial Arts, 3110 Packard. (248) 497-3760. Taekwondo for ages 3½-5, 6-10 and 11+. kils-martialarts09@gmail.com, kils-martialarts.com

Liberty Athletic Club, 2975 W. Liberty. (734) 665-3738. Saber, kung fu, sword lab, and lightfencing classes for ages 7+. Members only. liberty@libertyathletic.net, libertyathletic.net/youth

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation Martial Arts, 4597 Platt (Wright's Isshinryu Karate) and 6564 S. State (South-East Martial Arts Academy). (734) 822-2120. Year-round coed karate classes with a focus on basic self-defense, balance, teamwork, and self-confidence. Meets 1 day/week. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Quest Martial Arts, 540 Avis Dr., ste. D. (734) 332-1800. Ninjutsu for ages 4+. questcenter@sbcglobal.net, quest-martialarts.com

URSA Academy, 981 Varsity Dr. (734) 369-8509. Brazilian jiu-jitsu. reception@ursaacademy.com, ursaacademy.com

Rock Climbing

Planet Rock, 82 April. Recreational youth programs offered 4 times/year from summer to fall. Spider Monkeys: ages 4-6 (\$144/month), Rockhoppers: ages 7-10 (\$170/month), Climbing Club: ages 11-15 (\$178/month). Fees include 3 months of membership, 10 weekly classes with coaching instruction, free rentals, and guest passes. hello@planet-rock.com, planet-rock.com

Running & Track

Ann Arbor Track Club/YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Three seasons (cross-country, indoor, and outdoor) for ages 6-18. No experience required. Practices 2-3 days/week at Bowen Fieldhouse (EMU, indoor), Ferry Field/Greenhills School (outdoor), the Arb, County Farm Park, and Lillie Park (cross-country). Runners have the opportunity to compete in local, regional, and national races bracketed by age and gender. Full season Nov.-Mar.; half season Nov.-Jan. or Jan.-Mar. tlange@annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org/program-offerings/track

Girls on the Run of Southeastern Michigan, 3075 Clark, ste. 301, Ypsi. (734) 712-5640. A research-based program that teaches essential life skills to girls and gender-expansive youth in grades 3-6. Trained volunteer coaches facilitate lessons twice weekly for 8 weeks, Mar.-May, that blend physical activity with life skill development, including managing emotions, fostering friendships, and expressing empathy. info@girlsontherunsemi.org, girlsontherunsemi.org

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation Track, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822-2120. Spring/summer/fall coed programs for ages 5-8 and 9-12. No experience required. Practices one day/week at Lillie Park South. Fee: \$105 (does not include equipment or

jerseys). recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Skateboarding

All Girls Skate, Ann Arbor Skatepark (Veterans Memorial Park). No-cost drop-in program. Skateboard instructors foster bonding and empowerment, and teach beginning skateboarding skills and skatepark etiquette. Focused towards making the skatepark and skateboarding more accessible to girls, women, gender-expansive, and transgender youth and adults. 2nd and 4th Sun. mornings June-Oct. info@a2skatepark.org, a2skatepark.org

Soccer & Futsal

Ann Arbor United Soccer Club, PO Box 1864, AA 48106. (734) 975-4257. Competitive travel teams for U7-U19. Tryouts. Practices 2-3 days/week; 8-10 games/season with local and statewide travel. AA United also offers a wide array of soccer programming, including clinics and camps. info@aaunited.net, aaunited.net

Michigan Premier Soccer Academy (MPSA Crush). (734) 249-9193. Year-round soccer and futsal teams/programs for boys and girls ages 2-19. In-house programs for ages 2-8; Select for ages 7+; Premier for players seeking a high level of commitment. High-licensed coaches coach at all levels of play. Practices 1-2 days/week at Concordia University and St. Paul School of Ann Arbor. Indoor training at EMU Dome. Select team travels locally for games; Premier travels statewide. Fees depend on program. mpsadm@gmail.com, mpsacrush.com

Michigan Tigers Futbol Club, 2140 Oak Valley (WorldWide Sports Center). (734) 707-1678. Year-round soccer league for ages 6-19. No experience required; no cuts. Teams determined by age, gender, and skill level. Local travel for competitions. Fees vary based on team/age and include all equipment except uniforms. info@michigantigersfc.com, michigantigersfc.com

Pittsfield Township Parks & Recreation Soccer, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822-2120. Coed spring/fall leagues include pee-wee (ages 3 & 4-5) and hot shots (ages 6-7 & 8-9). Practice/games on Sat. in Lillie Park South. Uniforms and equipment provided. recreation@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/1212/youth-programs

Rec & Ed Futsal, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Fall/winter indoor soccer league for grades Y5-5. pickvetw@a2schools.org, joftet@a2schools.org, reced.a2schools.org/sports/youth-team-sports

Rec & Ed Soccer, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Fall/spring soccer league for grades Y5-8. No tryouts or cuts. Practices one day/week with local weekend games. Sunday All-Gender League for grades Y5-8 in fall/spring. Fees: \$135 resident/\$145 nonresident (includes jersey). pickvetw@a2schools.org

joffet@a2schools.org, reced.a2schools.org/sports/youth-team-sports

WideWorld Sports Center, 2140 Oak Valley. (734) 913-4625. Junior 4v4 leagues for boys and girls ages 5-7 and recreational 6v6 leagues for boys and girls ages 7-14. No experience required. No practice; games one day/week. Fees: \$100-\$150 (includes jersey). wideworld-sports.com

Swim & Dive

City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation. (734) 794-6230. Octopods swim team for ages 5-10 and 11-17 has 4 sessions throughout the year. No try-outs, but swimmers should be able to swim 25 yards freestyle. Fall, winter, & spring sessions practice at Mack Indoor Pool; summer sessions practice at Veterans Memorial Park and Buhr Park. Ages 5-10 team practices 2-3 days/week; age 11+ and advanced ages 9-10 practice 4-5 days per week. Local competitions. Fees: \$120-\$250 (depending on season), or \$100 for meets only. a2gov.org/parks-and-recreation/octopods-swim-team

Club Wolverine Swim Team, PO Box 130229, AA 48113. Coed swim teams for age 7+. Swimmers should know how to swim freestyle. Practices at U-M and EMU. CW Maize Level is held in fall/winter (Sept.-Apr.) and summer (Apr.-early Aug.); swimmers progress through three levels (ages 7-8, 8-9, & 9-10) and practice 3-5 days per week with 1 local competition/month. CW Blue Level is offered year-round; swimmers progress through three levels (ages 11-12, 11-13, & 12-14) and meet 5-6 days/week with local meets and 1 travel meet/season. Fees vary depending on level. kyle@clubwolverine.org, clubwolverine.org

Forestbrooke Pool Swim and Dive Team (F.A.S.T. Flying Fish), 2609 Yost. Coed summer swim and dive teams for ages 8 and under, 9-10, 11-12, and 13+. No experience required. Preseason swim practices meet 3 days/week after school; in season, 5 days/week in the morning. Preseason dive practices meet 2 days/week after school; in season, 4 days/week afternoons. Washtenaw-area competitions every Saturday. Fees: \$125 members, \$185 nonmembers (includes T-shirt). Sibling discounts. mollyjeanp@gmail.com, forestbrookepool.com/swim-and-dive-team

Orchard Hills Athletic Club (Gators), 2300 Yorktown (OHAC pool); (734) 665-2699. 2050 Prairie (Dolphin Pool); (734) 913-4558. Summer WISC-league swim and dive teams. Swim teams for grades K-2, 3-5, and middle/high school; practices 5 mornings/week with local meets on Sat. Dive teams for age 8 and under and 9+; practices 3 evenings/week at a local high school and meets on Fri. Fees: \$250 member, \$300 nonmember. Sibling discounts. swim@ohacpool.org, dive@ohacpool.org, ohacpool.org/pages/gator-swim-team

Tennis

Ann Arbor Area Community Tennis Association. Free beginning tennis program for grade 6. Teaches the fundamentals of ground strokes, volleys, and sportsmanship. Six 1¼-hour sessions held at the 7 AAPS schools that have grade 6. Culminates in an All-City Team Challenge at U-M's Varsity Tennis Center. Balls and racquets provided. AAACATA also hosts Swing Into Tennis, a series of summer tournaments held over 6 weekends at Huron High School for three levels: Orange Ball (10 & under), Green Ball (10 & under), and Level 7 (11-16). aaacta@aaacta.org, aaacta.org

Volleyball

Rec & Ed, 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Fall league for grades 4-9. joffet@a2schools.org, reced.a2schools.org/sports/youth-team-sports

YMCA, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Spring/summer/fall boys and girls volleyball leagues for grades 5-8. Practices and games held twice per week. \$70 members; \$140 nonmembers (includes jersey). tlange@annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org

Water Polo

Orchard Hills Athletic Club, 2050 Prairie (Dolphin Pool). (734) 913-4558. Summer water polo club for ages 8-12 and 13+. Offered 2 nights/week June-July. \$85 members; \$110 nonmembers. manager@ohacpool.org, ohacpool.org/pages/water-polo

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HEALTH SYSTEMS

U-M Health

Main Medical Campus . . . 1500 E. Medical Center Dr.
East Medical Campus 4720 Plymouth Rd.
Emergency department (734) 936-6666
General information (734) 936-4000
Patient information (734) 615-0872
Physician referral (800) 962-3555
Volunteer services (734) 936-4327
Website uofmhealth.org

Description: U-M Health, the clinical unit of Michigan Medicine, includes C.S. Mott Children's Hospital, Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital, University Hospital, the Frankel Cardiovascular Center, and the Rogel Cancer Center in Ann Arbor, as well as U-M Health West in Grand Rapids and U-M Sparrow Health System in the Lansing area. U-M Health hospitals and outpatient centers provide educational, clinical, and research facilities for students and faculty. There are 6,498 physicians, including residents and interns, and 5,715 nurses handle 46,891 discharges and 2,884,446 outpatient visits each year. Michigan Medicine researchers receive more than \$2.04 billion in research grants each year, allowing the health system to offer new and experimental treatments. Medical students, residents, and nursing students participate in care under the supervision of

faculty physicians. To find out how to participate in clinical research, call (877) 536-4243 or visit umhealthresearch.org. For a patient & visitor guide, visit uofmhealth.org/patient-visitor-guide-0.

University Hospital, Michigan Medicine's primary adult medical and surgical hospital, has 1,043 beds and houses operating rooms and some outpatient services.

C.S. Mott Children's Hospital and Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital. (734) 936-4000. Specialty services for newborns, children, and women. The 1.1 million-square-foot facility has 342 beds, including 50 private maternity rooms and 52 private newborn intensive care rooms.

Major programs and facilities, all on the main medical campus unless noted, include the **Frankel Cardiovascular Center** (888-287-1082); **Gastroenterology** (888-229-7408); **Geriatrics Center** (4260 Plymouth Rd., 734-764-6831, 877-865-2167); **Kellogg Eye Center** (1000 Wall, 734-763-8122); **MedSport Physical Therapy** (multiple locations, 734-936-7070); **Neurology** (734-936-9020); **Psychiatry** (main campus and Rachel Upjohn Bldg., 4250 Plymouth Rd., 800-525-5188); **Rogel Cancer Center** (800-865-1125); **Sleep Disorders Center** (multiple locations, 734-936-9068); **Transplant Heart** (855-429-0474); **Transplant Kidney, Liver, Lung, Pancreas** (800-833-9013); and **University Health Service** (207 Fletcher, 734-764-8320).

Trinity Health Ann Arbor Hospital

Address 5301 McAuley, Ypsi
Emergency department (734) 712-3000
General information (734) 712-3456
Physician referral (734) 712-5400, (800) 231-2211
Volunteer services (734) 712-4159
Website trinityhealthmichigan.org

Description: Trinity Health Ann Arbor is a member of Trinity Health Michigan. Programs include cancer care using the CyberKnife radiosurgery system and da Vinci robotic surgery, including a minimally invasive heart bypass. The hospital has participated in hundreds of cancer clinical trials. The 560-bed acute care hospital offers complete medical and surgical inpatient and outpatient care, including cardiology, cancer care, obstetrics and other women's and children's health services (including a neonatal intensive care unit and pediatric emergency services), physical medicine and rehabilitation, orthopedics, neurosciences, senior health, emergency services (including specialized senior emergency room), home care, and hospice. A neuroscience institute is slated to open in 2026. Trinity Health Michigan is a member of Livonia-based Trinity Health, the second-largest Catholic health care system in the country. As a Catholic affiliate, Trinity Health does not routinely perform vasectomies or female sterilizations, and does not perform abortions.

Major programs and facilities, all on the main campus unless noted, include **Acute Inpatient Rehab** (734-712-5755); **Acute Outpatient Therapy** (734-712-3565); **Cancer Care Specialty Center** (734-712-4673); **Center for Digestive Care** (734-434-6262); **Emergency and Trauma Cen-**



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The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Washtenaw County book club (Mental Health) met in July 2025 to discuss a book on polyvagal theory, followed by a discussion with a local expert. It's one of the many ways NAMI supports friends and families of those affected by mental illness while working to eradicate stigma and discrimination.

ter (734-712-3000); **Home Care and Hospice** (34505 W. Twelve Mile Rd., ste. 100, Farmington Hills, 734-343-7500); **Huron Oaks** mental health services, including partial hospitalization and adult residential unit (734-712-5850); **Michigan Heart & Vascular Institute** (734-712-8000); **Michigan Orthopedic Center** (734-712-3563); **Pain Institute** (734-712-7246); **Rehabilitation Services** (734-712-8674); **Reichert Health Center** outpatient care (734-712-5300); **Senior Health Bldg.** (734-712-9968), which houses Senior Health Services and Lifeline Emergency call services; **Sleep Disorder Center** (734-712-2276); **Trinity Health/Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center** (734-712-5800), and **Trinity Health IHA Medical Group, Orthopaedics—Ann Arbor Campus** (734-712-0655).

Veterans Affairs Ann Arbor Healthcare System

Address 2215 Fuller
Information (734) 769-7100 or (800) 361-8387
Veterans Crisis Line (800) 273-8255, press 1
Volunteer services (734) 845-3467
Website annarbor.va.gov

Description: Established in 1953, VAAHS offers state-of-the-art, evidence-based, veteran-centered health care services to veterans living in southeast Michigan and northwest Ohio. The Ann Arbor campus houses 108 acute care inpatient beds, a 40-bed community living center, and a clinical building for outpatient, diagnostic, and surgical services. In FY24, they saw over 79,000 veterans enrolled with VAAHS, over 740,000 outpatient visits, and nearly 4,900 acute inpatient hospital admissions. VAAHS includes community-based outpatient clinics in Adrian, Canton, Flint, Howell, Jackson, Findlay, and Toledo.

As the major VA referral facility for the Lower Peninsula, the health system supports numerous specialty programs, including a cardiac center, neurosurgery, hemodialysis, intensive psychiatric care, cochlear implantation, cancer treatment, and diagnostic radiology. Specialized programs for Iraq and Afghanistan war veterans, women veterans, those with spinal cord injuries, former prisoners of war, and others. The Veteran Empowerment and Recovery Center, Mental Health Intensive Care Management, Homeless Outreach, Veterans Justice Outreach, and other programs focus on holistic needs. The Ann Arbor facility also houses clinical, basic sciences, and health services research programs, and a geriatric research, education, and clinical center. More than 140 VA researchers work on more than 400 projects in cardiovascular disease, cancer, hypertension, and diabetes. A major teaching facility, VAAHS is affiliated with the U-M Medical School and 40 other colleges and universities and provides training to more than 1,200 people yearly. It employs more than 3,100 staff and has more than 1,200 volunteers.

HOSPITAL LODGING PROGRAMS

Ann Arbor Mennonite Guest Home, 2000 Dhu Varren. (734) 222-6233. Short-term lodging for U-M Health patients and their families. Amenities include continental breakfast, shuttle service (\$5/trip), laundry room, and kitchen access. Suggested donation \$50/night. annarborguesthouse@gmail.com, annarborguesthome.com

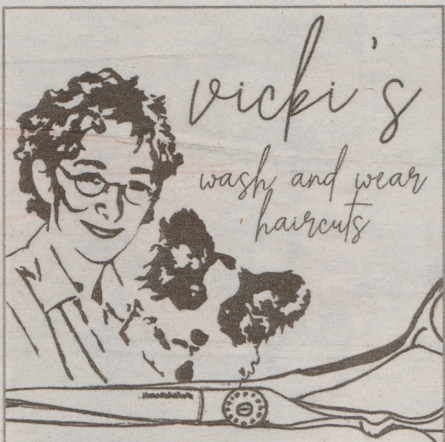
McAuley Inn, 5305 Elliott, Ypsi. (734) 712-2600. 28-bed inn with full-service guest accommodations. Rooms \$77 (\$72 for seniors) for Trinity Health Ann Arbor patients and their families. Free weekday shuttle service around the Trinity Health Ann Arbor campus. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/trinity-health-mcauley-inn

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Health Care

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U-M Health Guest Assistance Program, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr., rm. 2B203. (734) 764-6893, (800) 888-9825. Assists eligible patients and families with lodging, transportation, parking, clothing, insurance, meals, and costs for medications and equipment. Social workers available as needed. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. uofmhealth.org (search for Guest Assistance)

U-M Health Lodging, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936-0100, (800) 544-8684. Helps patients, their families, and visitors arrange hotel accommodations while in the Ann Arbor area. Operates Med-Inn Hotel, located on the main medical campus, and partners with more than 30 area hotels. RV parking is also available for \$2/day on a first-come, first-served basis. uofmhealth.org/lodging

VA Ann Arbor Fisher House, 2215 Fuller Ct. (734) 845-3000. Free lodging program for families and caregivers of hospitalized veterans and active duty service members receiving care at VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System or at local hospitals when care is coordinated by VA Community Care. fisherhouse-michigan.org/va-ann-arbor-fisher-house

HEALTH CARE CLINICS

Clinics affiliated with area hospitals, or with nonprofit organizations that provide low-cost care to low-income and uninsured people.

Corner Health Center, 47 N. Huron St., Ypsi. (734) 484-3600. Primary and mental health care for young people ages 12-25 and their children. Providers include board-certified physicians from U-M Health and Trinity Health Ann Arbor. Services include physicals and wellness care, treatment for acute and chronic illnesses, reproductive health care, transgender care, counseling, and psychiatry. Accepts most private or public insurance. Services provided regardless of insurance status or ability to pay. Mon., Thurs., & Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Tues. 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wed. 1-5 p.m. cornerhealth.org

Hope Clinic, 518 Harriet, Ypsi. (734) 484-2989. Free primary medical, dental, and behavioral health care to the uninsured, as well as mental health support and health care navigation services. Referrals for specialty care. Social work services include client advocacy, application support, and limited financial assistance. Also helps with basic needs such as hot meals and fresh produce, free laundry, emergency infant formula, and diapers. Appointment required. No emergency care or walk-ins. Limited capacity. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat. 9 a.m.-noon. thehopeclinic.org

Packard Health. Packard Health Main and Pharmacy, 2650 Carpenter, (734) 971-1073; Packard Health West, 1915 Pauline, (734) 926-4900; Packard Health Ypsilanti, 200 Arnet, ste. 150, (734) 985-7200. Primary care for all ages, including women's health and prenatal care, on-site pharmacy, integrated behavioral and mental health care, addiction treatment, social work, health promotion, food pantries, and other support services. Most health insurances accepted, including Medicare and Medicaid. Sliding fee scale for patients without insurance. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. info@packardhealth.org, packardhealth.org

Trinity Health Neighborhood Primary Care, 111 N. Huron St., ste. 200 (Haab Health Bldg.), Ypsi. (734) 547-7977. Primary care services for all ages. Washtenaw County residents with commercial insurance and the uninsured are welcome. Appointments required. Mon. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues. 7 a.m.-7 p.m., Wed. & Thurs. 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Fri. 7 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 8 a.m.-noon. trinityhealthmichigan.org

U-M Health Centers. Ann Arbor primary care centers: Briarwood Family Medicine, 1801 Briarwood Cir., bldg. 10; Briarwood Medical Group, 375 Briarwood Cir., bldg. 3; Briarwood Center for Women, Children and Young Adults, 400 E. Eisenhower, bldg. 2, ste. B; Domino's Farms, 24 Frank Lloyd Wright, lobby H; East Ann Arbor Health and Geriatrics Center, 4260 Plymouth Rd.; General Medicine at Taubman Center, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr., fl. 3, reception B; and West Ann Arbor Health Center, 380 Parkland Plaza. Primary care services; some locations provide lab and X-ray services. Accepts many types

of insurance. Appointments required. uofmhealth.org/our-locations/primary-care-centers

University Center for Language and Literacy (U-M Mary A. Rackham Institute), 1111 E. Catherine. (734) 764-8440. Serving people of all ages with language or literacy difficulties or impairments. Intensive therapy for aphasia and comprehensive neuropsychological evaluations to assess learning disabilities, mood/memory disorders, and special education needs. Reading intervention program offers assessments and one-on-one sessions for readers of all levels. ucell@umich.edu, mari.umich.edu/ucell

URGENT CARE CLINICS

The following hospital-affiliated facilities provide walk-in treatment for non-life-threatening illnesses and injuries. In life-threatening situations, call 911. For a list of private urgent care clinics, go to annarborobserver.com/urgent-care-clinics.

Trinity Health Ann Arbor Pediatric Emergency Department, 5301 McAuley, Ypsi. (734) 712-2786. 24-hour treatment for medical emergencies and illnesses in people age 21 and under. Use the emergency entrance at Trinity Health Ann Arbor Hospital. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/trinity-health-emergency-ann-arbor-hospital

Trinity Health IHA Urgent Care-Domino's Farms, 4200 Whitehall, ste. 150. (734) 995-0308. Pediatric and adult care services for minor illnesses and injuries. Sport physicals, flu shots, X-ray/ultrasound, and more. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-12 a.m., Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-8 p.m. ihacares.com (search for Domino's Farms Urgent Care)

Trinity Health IHA Urgent Care-West Arbor, 4350 Jackson Rd., ste. 230. (734) 887-4396. Offers pediatric and adult care services for minor illnesses and injuries. Sport physicals, flu shots, X-ray/ultrasound, and more. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. ihacares.com (search for West Arbor Urgent Care)

U-M Health Children's Emergency Services, 1540 E. Hospital Dr. (C.S. Mott Children's Hospital). (734) 936-4230. 24-hour treatment for medical/surgical emergencies and minor/major illness or injuries for people age 20 and under. Medical advice cannot be given over the phone. uofmhealth.org (search for Children's Emergencies)

HEALTH INFORMATION & PHYSICIAN REFERRAL

Medicare/Medicaid Assistance (Catholic Charities), 4925 Packard. (734) 971-9781, press 8. No-cost assistance for seniors and adults with disabilities in making informed decisions regarding health insurance and prescription drug coverage. All

Medicare recipients eligible. ccwcwashtenaw.org/medicaremedicaid-assistance-program

Trinity Health Physician Referral Line. (734) 712-5400. Provides physician referrals for Trinity Health Ann Arbor. trinityhealthmichigan.org/find-a-doctor

U-M Health Physician Referral Service, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (800) 962-3555. 24-hour, toll-free number that connects patients with U-M physicians and services. Answers questions about office hours, locations, and specialty services. uofmhealth.org/find-a-physician

U-M Health Rogel Cancer Center AnswerLine. (800) 865-1125. Registered oncology nurses provide information on risk factors, prevention, diagnosis, treatment options, clinical trials, support services, and assistance in arranging appointments. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.; after-hours calls returned next business day. canceranswerline@med.umich.edu, rogelcancercenter.org/about/cancer-answerline

ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

Nonprofit organizations and community resources for alternative medicine.

Ann Arbor Community Acupuncture, 2500 Packard, ste. 100. (734) 780-7253. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that provides affordable acupuncture treatments for a variety of health conditions. Mon., Wed., & Thurs. 9 a.m.-8 p.m., Tues. 2-8 p.m., Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat. 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. info@annarborcommunityacupuncture.com, annarborcommunityacupuncture.com

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Integrative Healthcare Providers, 2800 S. State, ste. 215. (734) 547-3990. Holistic patient care with the choice of conventional, naturopathic, or traditional Chinese medicine, as well as counseling. office@ihcpaa.com, ihcpaa.com

Rudolf Steiner Health Center, 1422 W. Liberty. (734) 663-4365. Outpatient Office, 1825 W. Stadium. (734) 222-1491. The Liberty Center offers two-week Life Force Intensive health retreats for those with chronic illness; holistic medicine and nursing care; nutrition counseling; and art, massage, and movement therapies. Other programs include fasting weekends twice yearly, medical internship program for ages 18-30, and home care workshops. The Outpatient Office provides integrative, anthroposophic medicine. Financial aid available. info@steinerhealth.org, steinerhealth.org



MARK BIALEK

Packard Health West, at 1915 Pauline, is one of three Washtenaw County locations of Packard Health (Health Care Clinics). The clinic provides primary care for all ages, and accepts most health insurances, with a sliding fee scale for patients without insurance.

CHEMICAL DEPENDENCY

Nonprofit treatment programs. For Al-Anon/Alateen, see Substance Abuse in the Emergency Services section, p. 88.

Dawn Farm, 6633 Stony Creek Rd., Ypsi. (734) 485-8725; intake (734) 669-8265; outpatient (734) 821-0216. Provides a continuum of long-term addiction treatment and recovery support services, including long-term residential treatment, transitional housing, outpatient care, detoxification/withdrawal management, and a range of active outreach programs. info@dawnfarm.org, dawnfarm.org

Home of New Vision, 3115 Professional, (734) 975-1603. Behavioral health treatment center specializing in adult substance use disorder and prevention/education services for adults and youth. Provides recovery-based housing and support groups for men and women, outpatient therapy, residential treatment, co-occurring and stand-alone mental health services, the Women's Specialty program, and more. Accepts most insurance. Some services free or based on a sliding-fee scale for Washtenaw County residents. communications@homeofnewvision.org, homeofnewvision.org

Trinity Health Addiction Recovery-Ann Arbor Campus, 5401 McAuley, Ypsi. (734) 786-2300. Dual diagnosis, chemical dependency, and mental health treatment center; intensive outpatient services. Licensed therapists, psychiatrists, and addictionologists. Accepts most major insurance. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/trinity-health-addiction-recovery-ann-arbor-campus-1

U-M Addiction Treatment Services, 4250 Plymouth Rd. (Rachel Upjohn Bldg.), (734) 764-0231, (800) 525-5188. Assessment and personalized outpatient treatment (individual, group, and family therapy) for people who have problems with alcohol or other drugs. Outpatient detox and psychiatric services. In-person and virtual services available. Accepts most insurance, except Medicaid. umaddictioncenter.org/clinical-care

CHILDBIRTH

Trinity Health Birth Center-Ann Arbor Hospital, 5301 McAuley, Ypsi. (734) 712-0331. Comprehensive care for mother and baby, including OB triage, surgical facilities, a neonatal intensive care unit, and private labor and delivery rooms with bathrooms and showers. Nurse midwives and lactation consultants on staff. Prenatal education classes and tours are available. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/trinity-health-birth-center-ann-arbor-hospital

U-M Health Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital, 1540 E. Hospital Dr. (734) 763-6295. Obstetric and gynecology clinic. Single-room labor, delivery, recovery, and postpartum care in a homelike setting. Newborns may stay in their mothers' rooms. Immediate access to Brandon Newborn Intensive Care Unit and surgical facilities. umwomenshealth.org

U-M Health Von Voigtlander Women's Hospital Certified Nurse Midwife Service, 1540 E. Hospital Dr., level 9, reception B. (734) 763-6295. Certified nurse midwives provide preconception counseling and prenatal/postnatal care, and deliver babies. Also gynecological exams and information on nutrition, exercise, labor, breastfeeding, and parenting. umwomenshealth.org/conditions-treatments/certified-nurse-midwife

DENTAL SERVICES

Nonprofit clinics providing dental care at reduced cost, as well as dental referrals.

Hope Clinic-Dental, 518 Harriet, Ypsi. (734) 484-2989. Free general preventive and restorative care; patients must be uninsured and below 200 percent of the poverty line to qualify. Services include cleanings, fluoride treatments, fillings, extractions, and limited referrals for specialty needs. Appointment required. No emergency care or walk-ins. Limited capacity. Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. thehopeclinic.org/dental-care

My Community Dental Center of Ypsilanti, 111 N. Huron St., Ypsi. (734) 480-4250. Patient registration: (877) 313-6232. A collaboration between Washtenaw County Health Department, Trinity Health System, Washtenaw Health Project, and My Community Dental Centers. Serves adults and children enrolled in Medicaid, MICHild, or Healthy Kids Dental, or who are uninsured and low-income. Reduced fees for uninsured veterans. Services are lower cost, but not free. \$39 registration fee for patients without insurance includes initial exam, X-rays, and a treatment plan. Washtenaw County Dental Assistance Fund available for county residents who need help paying

for treatment. New patients must call or register online. washtenaw.org/smile_mydental.org

U-M School of Dentistry, 201 Fletcher, (734) 763-6933. Faculty and student clinics provide all types of dental treatment. Student clinics have reduced fees. dent.umich.edu/patients

Washtenaw District Dental Society. (734) 249-8189. Find an American Dental Association member who practices in the Washtenaw County area. 13 general and specialty categories to choose from. washtenawdentalsociety.org

DISABILITY SERVICES

Adapted Recreation (Ann Arbor Public Schools Department of Community Education and Recreation), 1515 S. Seventh. (734) 994-2300. Strike Force Bowling League for adults and teens in grade 9 and above with mental or physical challenges. registration@aaps.k12.mi.us, aarecedonline.com/adult-classes

Community Alliance, 301 W. Michigan Ave., ste. 102, Ypsi. (734) 482-3300. Supports and empowers people with developmental disabilities to achieve the highest possible level of independence and self-sufficiency through direct support services and fiscal intermediary services. kgrant@communityalliance.com, communityalliance-mi.org

Disability Network Washtenaw Monroe Livingston, 3941 Research Park Dr. (734) 971-0277. Works with and on behalf of people with disabilities toward successes at home, at work, at school, and in the community through information and referrals, peer support, independent living skills training, systems advocacy, benefits counseling, career services, and arts & recreation programming. info@dnwml.org, dnwml.org

Down Syndrome Support Team, 9227 Fieldstone Ln., Saline 48176 (mailing). (313) 608-7374. Resources for families and friends of people with Down Syndrome. downsyndromesupportteam.com

Intentional Communities of Washtenaw. Parents, families, and friends of adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities work to reduce their isolation and improve their quality of life by supporting community living and enhanced social opportunities. info@intentcom.org, intentcom.org

Judson Center Autism Connections, 3917 Research Park Dr., ste. B1-A. (248) 549-4339. Applied behavior analysis therapy for those with a diagnosis of an autism spectrum disorder beginning at age 18 months. Many commercial insurances accepted, including some Medicaid. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. autism@judsoncenter.org, judsoncenter.org

Michigan Ability Partners, 3810 Packard, ste. 260. (734) 975-6880. Serves veterans and individuals with disabilities by addressing homelessness and factors that can lead to homelessness, such as under- and unemployment, limited to no income, and limited support. Services include rapid rehousing, permanent supportive housing, job placement and coaching, eviction prevention, and financial management (representative payee). Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m. info@mapagency.org, mapagency.org

Michigan Department of Health and Human Services-Washtenaw County, 22 Center, Ypsi. (734) 481-2000. Financial assistance for people with disabilities. Helps with expenses such as rent, utilities, food, and clothes. Income, assets, and residency requirements apply. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. or apply online. michigan.gov/mdhhs

Michigan Rehabilitation Services (Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity), 3810 Packard, ste. 170. (517) 241-5432, (800) 605-6722. Vocational rehabilitation services for individuals with disabilities in Washtenaw and Livingston counties. leo-mrs-customerassistance@michigan.gov, michigan.gov/mrs

St. Louis Center, 16195 Old US-12, Chelsea. (734) 475-8430. Serves adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities (I/DD) in a residential community of group homes with on-site nursing, social work staff, and accommodations for specific dietary needs. Local employment and public education programs and field trips to community events. Day program and respite care available for adults with I/DD who are not residents. mail@stlouiscenter.org, stlouiscenter.org

Washtenaw Association for Community Advocacy, 1100 N. Main, ste. 205. (734) 662-1256. Advocacy for people with disabilities to provide them with opportunities for full inclusion in community life. Helps youths with disabilities, ages 18-26, transition from K-12 education and children's services to community-based services and supports. Assists all individuals with disabilities to obtain accommodations to navigate the court system, Social Security Disability and Supplemental Security Income, and Medicaid. Mon.-



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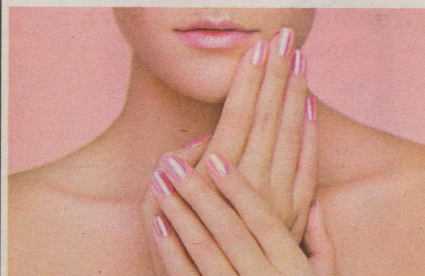
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Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Print Disabled, 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Ann Arbor District Library). (734) 327-4224. For people of all ages who are unable to read or use standard-print materials due to a temporary or permanent disability. Audiobook players, books, magazines, and videos in downloadable, USB cartridge, large print, and Braille formats are mailed and returned via the USPS at no charge. Apply for services by phone or email. Daily 10 a.m.-8 p.m. wlbd@aadl.org, wlbd.aadl.org

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Planned Parenthood Power Family Health Center, 3100 Professional Dr. (734) 973-0710. Abortion, birth control (patch, pill, ring, shot, implant, IUD), emergency contraception, gender-affirming hormone therapy, HIV services (testing, PEP, and PrEP), pregnancy testing and planning, STI testing and treatment, HPV vaccinations, UTI treatment, wellness exams, Pap tests, and sex education programs. Most insurance, Medicaid, and Healthy Michigan Plan accepted; sliding fee scale. Virtual appointments available. ppmi.org

HOSPICE & HOME HEALTH CARE

Medicare/Medicaid-certified hospice care providers for the terminally ill, as well as hospital-affiliated and nonprofit home health care providers for patients with non-life-threatening illnesses. For nonmedical and in-home facilities, see Seniors, p. 60.

Arbor Hospice, 2366 Oak Valley Dr. (888) 992-2273 (referrals and 24/7 caregiver support). Community-based hospice and palliative care services provided wherever a patient calls home. Focused on quality of life, experienced teams of hospice professionals support the whole family to address medical, emotional, and spiritual pain and symptoms of serious illness. 24/7 Caregiver Support Center to help family caregivers care for their loved ones. CHAP accredited. webcontact@arborhospice.org, arborhospice.org

Trinity Health At Home. (734) 343-7500. Nursing, rehabilitation, pain management, medical social workers, certified home health aides, and hospice/palliative care services. trinityhealthathome.org

U-M Health Post-Acute Care Services, 2850 South Industrial. Departments include: **HouseCalls**, (734) 477-7256, a team of nurse practitioners, a care manager, and a pharmacist who provide care to patients who are homebound or have limited mobility; **Maternal Infant Health Program**, (734) 477-7238, a home visiting program provided to pregnant Medicaid recipients and their babies; **Michigan Visiting Nurses**, (734) 677-1515, with nurses' aides and rehabilitation therapists serving individuals and families in their homes; **Patient Monitoring at Home**, (734) 477-7248, a remote service for patients to learn about their illness and manage their health; **Perinatal Home Nursing Program**, (734) 677-1515, providing one-time postpartum visit to mothers and infants after discharge by OB nurses; and **Wheelchair Seating Service**, (877) 868-8889, with specialty mobility device services. homecare.med.umich.edu

MENTAL HEALTH

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: call or text 988.

Behavioral Health Counseling Services (Catholic Charities), 4925 Packard. (734) 926-0155, ext. 655. Licensed social workers and psychologists counsel adults and adolescents. Limited child, couple, and family in-depth assessment and short-term therapy, including substance abuse assessment and treatment.



Med-Inn Hotel, operated by U-M Health Lodging (Hospital Lodging Programs), is a 30-room hotel located on the main medical campus for families of surgical or ICU patients. RV parking is also available for \$2 per day on a first-come, first-served basis.

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National Alliance on Mental Illness Washtenaw County (NAMI), 1100 N. Main, ste. 201 (NEW Center). (734) 994-6611. Education and support for individuals affected by mental health conditions, as well as groups for their families and friends, and for parents of children with suicidal ideation. Works to eradicate mental health stigma and discrimination. Services are offered free of charge. Mon., Tues., & Thurs. noon-5 p.m. office@namiwc.org, namiwc.org

Thrive Counseling (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State, ste. 200. (734) 436-4249. CARF-accredited therapists committed to providing accessible, holistically oriented, and culturally sensitive counseling to children, adults, families, and couples regardless of their ability to pay. hello@thrivecounselinga2.com, thrivecounselinga2.com

Trinity Health Adolescent Partial Hospitalization Program-Ann Arbor Campus, 5401 McAuley, Ypsi. (734) 712-5750. For ages 12-17. Provides diagnostic and treatment services for emotional and behavioral problems (academic failure, eating disorders, depression) that interfere with an adolescent's ability to function at home, school, and in the community. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. bit.ly/trinityadolescent

Trinity Health IHA Medical Group Psychiatry & Counseling-Ann Arbor Campus, 5401 McAuley (Huron Oaks Bldg.), Ypsi. (734) 786-2300. Outpatient psychotherapy for depression, anxiety, and situational adjustment. Psychiatric evaluation and medication management. Treatment for individuals, couples, and families. Mon.-Thurs. 8 a.m.-7 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. ihacares.com (search for Ann Arbor psychiatry)

U-M Psychiatric Programs. Psychiatric Emergency Services (PES), 1500 E. Medical Center Dr., (734) 936-5900 (24 hours). **Outpatient Care**, 4250 Plymouth Rd. (Rachel Upjohn Bldg.), (734) 764-0231, (800) 525-5188. **Adult Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP)**, (734) 764-1488. PES provides inpatient screening and hospitalization, treatment recommendations, and referrals to adults, adolescents, and children in crisis or experiencing a psychiatric emergency. **Outpatient Care**, by appointment only, provides evaluation, consultation, medication management, psychotherapy, and/or group therapy for all ages. PHP, by referral only, provides intensive psychiatric treatment, including group and skills-based therapies and medication management. medicine.umich.edu/dept/psychiatry

University Center for the Child and Family, 210 S. Fifth Ave. (734) 615-7853. Compassionate and evidence-based mental health services for children, adolescents, and their families, including therapy and testing for autism spectrum disorder, ADHD, and learning issues. Free parenting workshops. Applied behavior analysis. Many insurances accepted. Services provided by professional staff, postdoctoral fellows, and graduate-level trainees under close supervision. mari.umich.edu/uccf

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Washtenaw County Community Mental Health (WCCMH). (734) 544-3050 or (800) 440-7548. Screening and referral through Health Services Access. Provides specialty services to the severely and persistently mentally ill, adults with intellectual/developmental disabilities (I/DD), and children with severe emotional disturbances or I/DD. Services include medication, case management, specialized counseling, vocational services, respite, and integrated dual disorder treatment/co-occurring services. Information and referrals for mental health, I/DD, serious emotional disturbance, and substance use disorder programs for Medicaid-eligible and uninsured children and adults in Washtenaw County. Additional programs include Project Outreach (PORT: jail diversion and homeless services), and OBRA (nursing home screening and treatment). washtenaw.org/wccmh

The Women's Center of Southeastern Michigan, 1100 Victors Way, ste. 10. (734) 973-6779. Personal counseling for youth and adults of all identities, age 16+ (phone, video, and in person). Offers three counseling options: Soundings (sliding-fee therapy); Room To Talk (therapy paid privately or by insurance); and Jumpstart (single-session therapy). Virtual services include individual career and financial coaching, mom and infant support group, help with community resources, and women-specific divorce/breakup education and support. Office hours Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fri., weekends, and evenings by appointment only. info@womenscentersemi.org, womenscentersemi.org

SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS

Unified-Vivent Health, 336 Harriet, Ypsi. (734) 572-9355. Medical and nonmedical case management and housing assistance for people living with HIV/AIDS. HIV/AIDS education and resources, training, food pantry, STI/HIV and hepatitis C testing, syringe services, overdose prevention. Daily 9 a.m.-5 p.m. miunified.org/services

Washtenaw County Health Department Sexual Health Services, 555 Towner, Ypsi. (734) 544-6840. Offers free confidential or anonymous HIV testing and counseling. STI testing, diagnosis, and treatment on sliding fee scale. Partner notification services and PrEP (HIV prevention medication for individuals at high risk), post-exposure prophylaxis for HIV, vaccinations (including Mpox), and more. Call for appointment. Walk-in pregnancy testing available Mon.-Fri. based on nurse availability. Blue Cross Blue Shield

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TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

If you need an ambulance in an emergency, call 911.

Care Transport, 4180 Packard. (734) 434-6786. Nonemergency wheelchair van, bus, and regular car transportation to doctor appointments, hospitals, and health care facilities anywhere in Michigan or Ohio. info@caretransport.us, caretransport.us

Health Plus Transportation, 124 Pearl, ste. 403, Ypsi. (734) 547-7813. 24-hour nonemergency medical transportation within Southeast Michigan for people with limited mobility, including wheelchair transport with lift-equipped vans. Reservation form on website. info@healthplustransport.com, healthplustransport.com

Huron Valley Ambulance, 1200 State Cir. (734) 971-4420. Emergency medical services throughout Washtenaw County. Non-emergency ambulance available for medically necessary transports. Member Plus ambulance membership program covers out-of-pocket costs for any medically necessary transports. communityrelations@emergenthealth.org, hva.org

MedSync Transportation & Services, 2035 Hogback, ste. 103. (734) 646-8846. 24-hour personal and shared nonemergency medical transportation throughout Michigan. Same-day service and trips up to 500 miles (with advance scheduling). Wheelchair-accessible vehicles. Accompaniment services such as grocery shopping, home assistance, or home-sitting for medical appointments. Advance scheduling recommended. contact@medsts.com, medsynctransportation.com

RK For Transportation, 2710 Adrienne. (734) 395-3276. Nonemergency medical transportation with ADA-accessible vehicles. Family-run business. rkfortransportation@gmail.com, rkfortransportation-llc.com

WASHTENAW COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Provides individual/environmental health services, data, and information, and works to ensure all residents have the opportunity to live a healthy life. Many programs assist individuals and families with lower incomes or Medicaid coverage. washtenaw.org/health

Children's Special Health Care Services, 555 Towner, Ypsi. (734) 544-9700. Helps pay specialty medical bills and coordinates services for children and some adults with certain chronic medical conditions. Assists families/individuals in developing a plan of care for identified needs, especially as youth transition to young adulthood. Covers 2,700 diagnoses and families of all incomes are eligible, even those with health insurance. katkac@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/cshcs

Washtenaw County Health Department, 555 Towner, Ypsi. (734) 544-6700. Promotes health and works to prevent disease and injury. Services include vaccinations, HIV and STI testing, blood lead testing, WIC (Women, Infants & Children), Maternal Infant Health Program, Children's Special Health Care Services, hearing and vision screenings, tuberculosis control, community health assessment, My Community Dental Center-Washtenaw, and consultation on controlling infectious disease outbreaks, including animal bites and rabies risk. health@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/health

Washtenaw County Health Department WIC (Women, Infants & Children), 555 Towner, Ypsi. (734) 544-6800. Nutrition program for women, infants, and young children that provides healthy foods, nutrition tips, breastfeeding support, health care referrals, and community information. A family of 4 can earn up to \$4,279/month (before taxes) and qualify for WIC. Mon. & Wed. 9:30 a.m.-6 p.m., Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. wic@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/wic

Washtenaw Health Project, 555 Towner, Ypsi. (734) 544-3030. Helps individuals and families access affordable health care and other health-promoting services; assists with Medicaid, Healthy Michigan Plan, Healthy Kids, MICHild, and coverage through the healthcare.gov marketplace. For those who don't qualify for these programs, Washtenaw Health Project offers the Washtenaw Health Plan, which covers medically necessary care. Walk-in or by appointment. In-person assistance in English, Spanish, French, and Arabic; phone interpretation in 200+ languages. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-noon, 1-4 p.m. whp@washtenaw.org, washtenawhealthproject.org

WOMEN'S HEALTH

Trinity Health Women's Health Center/ Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center, 5320 Elliott, ste. 100, Ypsi. (734) 712-5800. Breast care services, bone density testing, diabetes education, incontinence clinic, health classes, fitness assessments, weight management programs, and a health information library. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/trinity-health-women-s-health-center-ann-arbor

U-M Health Rogel Cancer Center Breast Care Center, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 647-8902. Comprehensive diagnosis and care for breast cancer and benign breast problems. rogelcancercenter.org/breast-cancer

U-M Health Rogel Cancer Center Breast Imaging, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936-4500. Diagnostic and screening mammography, breast ultrasound, core biopsy, MRI, and more. Services vary depending on location. Four Ann Arbor and one Ypsilanti locations. uofmhealth.org/our-locations/comprehensive-cancer-center-breast-imaging

SUPPORT GROUPS

Alzheimer's (and other dementia) Caregiver Support Group. 24/7 dial-in support and info: (800) 272-3900. Virtual and in-person support groups in Washtenaw County. alz.org/mglc/support

Ann Arbor Myeloma Support Group. Mary Norat, (734) 645-1713 or Gerry Auth, (734) 930-0339. Patient-led support group including patients, caregivers, and health care professionals. Meets first Tues., 6:30-8:30 p.m. on Zoom or in person at Trinity Health Ann Arbor, Ellen Thompson Women's Health Center, rm. 2 (5320 Elliott, Ypsi). annarbormyelomagroup@imfsupport.org, myeloma.org/ann-arbor

ArborEpilepsy. Online forum for people with epilepsy and the parents and caregivers of people with epilepsy. facebook.com/groups/arborepilepsy

Brain Injury Association of Michigan, 7305 Grand River Ave., ste. 100, Brighton. (800) 444-6443. Support group for those affected by brain injury. Meets first Thurs. 6 p.m., at Ypsilanti Senior Citizens Center (1015 N. Congress, Ypsi). info@bjami.org, bjami.org (click on Support and Support Groups)

Cancer Support Community of Greater Ann Arbor, 2010 Hogback, ste. 3 (Atria Park Business Center). (734) 975-2500. Free in-person, online, and hybrid support services for all people affected by cancer, including family and friends. Professionally led support groups, educational workshops, cooking/nutrition classes, stress management/exercise classes (yoga, tai chi, Zumba, meditation), social events, and children/teen programs. info@cancersupportann-arbor.org, cancersupportannarbor.org

Gluten-Free Ann Arbor. Support group for people who are eating gluten-free food because of celiac disease or for other reasons. Hosts online discussion, email list, and databases of celiac-aware restaurants, grocery stores, and health care practitioners. Meets occasionally. gfaa@unixmama.com, glutenfree-annarbor.com

Hemophilia Foundation of Michigan, 1921 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsi. (734) 544-0015. Social, educational, medical, and support services for individuals and families affected by hemophilia, von Willebrand disease, and other bleeding disorders. Offers summer camps for children with bleeding disorders, retreats, community events, advocacy opportunities, financial assistance, academic scholarships, and medical alert tags. Works closely with hemophilia treatment centers across Indiana, Ohio, and Michigan, including U-M Health, to ensure individuals receive comprehensive care. In-person, virtual, and hybrid programs. hfm@hfmich.org, hfmich.org

Multiple Sclerosis Self-Help Support Group. For people with MS, their families, friends, and personal assistants working with an attendee. Meets virtually every Mon. 7-8:30 p.m. (except for legal holidays) and in-person monthly. Meetings focus on emotional support and group discussions, and are free and confidential. annarbormsgroup@gmail.com

U-M Health Support Groups. (800) 888-9825. Support and education groups for inpatients and outpatients, and their family members. Groups for heart transplant and LVAD, ALS, amputation, pediatric disorders, infertility, allergies, stroke, HIV, organ transplant, diabetes, pregnancy, newborn loss, gender identity questions, and more.

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2025–2026 Ann Arbor Academic Calendar

Fall 2025

Aug. 25: Classes begin
Nov. 26–28: Thanksgiving recess
Dec. 8: Classes end
Dec. 14: Commencement

Winter 2026

Jan. 7: Classes begin
Apr. 21: Classes end
May 1–3: Commencement

Spring 2026

May 5: Classes begin (Spring half term & Summer full term)
June 25: Exams end (Spring half term)

Summer 2026

June 30: Classes begin (Summer half term)
Aug. 20: Exams end

Calendars may differ for these schools: business, dentistry, law, medicine, and social work. See ro.umich.edu/calendar

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Email. info@umich.edu

The U-M has 19 schools and colleges, 15 of which offer undergraduate degree programs. For information or application materials, contact the undergraduate admissions office (1220 Student Activities

Bldg., 515 E. Jefferson, 48109; (734) 764–7433; admissions.umich.edu). There were nearly 109,000 applicants for the incoming class of 2025–26, an 11 percent increase from the previous year. To enroll for a graduate degree in the liberal arts, contact the Horace H. Rackham Graduate School (915 E. Washington, 48109; (734) 764–8129; rackham.umich.edu).

Tuition and fees for first-year undergraduates in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts (LSA) for 2025–2026 are estimated to be \$18,346 for Michigan residents and \$63,962 for nonresidents. Beginning in the fall of 2025, the **Go Blue Guarantee** will offer free tuition to all in-state students with a family income of \$125,000 or less and assets below \$125,000. Tuition varies with program and class status; call the registrar at (734) 647–3507 for more information. For questions regarding residency, call (734) 764–1400. For graduate program tuition and fees, contact individual programs or schools. Nondegree classes are available at half cost to people age 65+.

For information on attending undergraduate classes without enrolling, call the undergraduate admissions office, (734) 764–7433, or go to admissions.umich.edu/apply/other-applicants/non-degree-and-guest-applications.

Course catalogs for schools and colleges are available online; for the LSA Course Guide, go to lsa.umich.edu/cg. A complete schedule of all U-M classes is at ro.umich.edu/schedule.

Tours are conducted throughout the year from the Huetwell Visitors Center in the Student Activities Bldg. (515 E. Jefferson). Call (734) 647–5692 for hours. Small-group information sessions are hosted select weekdays by the undergraduate admissions office. For information and reservations, call (734) 647–5692 or go to admissions.umich.edu/visiting. Register three weeks in advance. For a self-guided tour, pick up a brochure at the visitors center.

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CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

2025–2026 Academic Calendar

Fall 2025

Aug. 25: Classes begin
Dec. 14: Classes end, Commencement

Spring 2026

Jan. 5: Classes begin
May 3: Classes end, Commencement

Summer 2026

May 11–Aug. 16 (Varying lengths between 8- to 14-week courses)

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In the face of financial hardships, Concordia—a private liberal arts university affiliated with the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod—has made significant adjustments to the academic and athletic programs offered on the Ann Arbor campus for the 2025–2026 academic year. One undergraduate and three graduate programs remain on campus, and all existing Ann

Arbor-based university operations will now be held in the North Building location on 3475 Plymouth Rd. Remaining academic programs for existing students are held online through Concordia University–Wisconsin, allowing them to complete their degrees through CUAA. All athletic programs have been discontinued. For a complete list of programs offered during the 2025–26 academic year, go to cuua.edu/academics/programs. To learn more about the future

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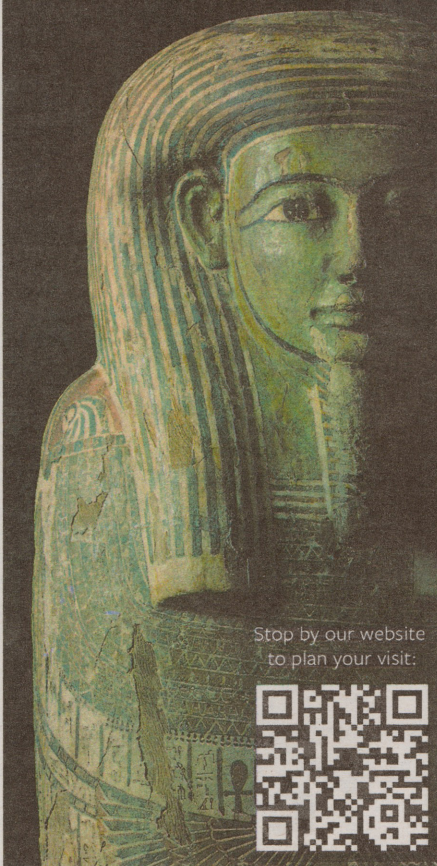
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EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

2025-2026 Academic Calendar

Fall 2025

Aug. 25: Classes begin
Dec. 14: Commencement
Dec. 19: Exams end

Winter 2026

Jan. 12: Classes begin
May 1: Exams end
May 2: Commencement

Summer 2026

May 11: Classes begin

Aug. 16: Exams end

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Sept. 27 at Central Michigan
Oct. 4 at Buffalo
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Oct. 18 at Miami
Oct. 25 OHIO
Nov. 8 BOWLING GREEN
Nov. 15 at Ball State
Nov. 25 WESTERN MICHIGAN
Dec. 6 MAC Championship at Detroit

WASHTENAW COMMUNITY COLLEGE

2025-2026 Academic Calendar

Fall 2025

Aug. 25: Classes begin
Dec. 14: Classes end

Winter 2026

Jan. 12: Classes begin
May 4: Classes end

Summer 2026

May 11: Classes begin

August 3: Classes end

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In addition to its main campus, WCC operates community centers and programs focused on college and career readiness serving Ypsilanti residents. **Tuition** is \$99/credit hour for students who live or work in Washtenaw County, and free for county residents age 65+. Day, night, weekend, and online classes. **Job openings** are listed online at jobs.wccnet.edu.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Ann Arbor District Library, (734) 327-4200. *Downtown library*, 343 S. Fifth Ave. *Malletts Creek branch*, 3090 E. Eisenhower. *Pittsfield branch*, 2359 Oak Valley. *Traverwood branch*, 3333 Traverwood. *Westgate branch*, 2503 Jackson Ave. Circulates materials for all ages to Library cardholders, including books, music, movies, magazines, art prints, board games, puzzles, science, art, home & music tools, streaming movies, downloadable music, and more. Wi-Fi, public computers, printing, public meeting spaces, and notary services are available at no charge. In-person events and exhibits for youth, teens, adults, and families, including author events, concerts, arts & crafts, film screenings, performances, preschool storytimes, and baby playgroups. aadl.org
Washtenaw Library for the Blind and Print Disabled, 343 S. Fifth Ave. (AADL Downtown). (734) 327-4224. For people of all ages who are unable to read or use standard-print materials due to a temporary or permanent disability. Audiobook players, books, magazines, and videos in downloadable, USB cartridge, large print, and Braille formats are mailed and returned via the USPS at no charge. Apply for services by phone or email. Daily 10 a.m.-8 p.m. wlbpd@aadl.org, wlbpd.aadl.org

OTHER LIBRARIES

Ford Presidential Library, 1000 Beal. (734) 205-0555. Archival collections of Gerald R. Ford's presidential, vice-presidential, and congressional papers, including Betty Ford's records. Visitors can browse lobby exhibits, see a re-creation of President Ford's office, and attend special events. Researchers welcome. The Library is also available to rent for private events. Mon.-Fri. 8:45 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Closed on federal holidays. ford.library@nara.gov, fordlibrary-museum.gov

Richard W. Bailey Library, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. (WCC Gunter Myran Bldg.). (734) 973-3429. Print & electronic books, journals, and media items, including streaming videos and DVDs. Easy reading books for adults with low reading levels and international students. Children's literature collection. Books may be checked out by general public (with a free library card); other materials for public use in the library only. wccnet.edu/resources/library

SELECTED U-M LIBRARIES

Everyone in the community can attend exhibits and events and use physical resources on-site. For more information, go to lib.umich.edu/services-guests.

Art, Architecture & Engineering Library, 2281 Bonisteel, in the Duderstadt Bldg. (734) 647-5747. Holds one of the nation's largest and richest technology collections. Its art resources include a large image collection, architectural drawings, photographs, and artists' books. Comics and graphic novels span various languages. aael.circ@umich.edu, lib.umich.edu/aael

Bentley Historical Library, 1150 Beal. (734) 764-3482. The Bentley collects materials from the state of Michigan and is the official archive of the University of Michigan. More than two centuries of history is preserved at the Bentley, making it one of the largest collections of materials involving Michigan's people and organizations. The Bentley is open to the public and staff are always available to help users find what they need. bentley.umich.edu

Clements Library, 909 South University. (734) 764-2347. Original resources for American history and culture from the 15th through the 19th century, including books, graphics, manuscripts, and maps. Research hours: Mon.-Wed. 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Exhibit hours: Mon.-Fri. noon-4 p.m. clements.library@umich.edu, clements.umich.edu

Fine Arts Library, 855 South University (260 Tappan Hall), 2nd fl. (734) 764-5405. Among the largest collections in the history of the visual arts and culture in the region. Holdings include books, journals, and electronic resources in the areas of painting, sculpture, architecture, graphic arts, decorative arts, photography, and mixed media from across the globe. The collection supports teaching, research, and scholarship in the history of art at the University of Michigan and the larger research community. finearts-library@umich.edu, lib.umich.edu/fine-arts-library

Hatcher Library, 913 South University, on the Diag. (734) 764-0401. Holds U-M's primary research collection for the humanities and social sciences, with millions of titles in several hundred languages. Home to the Asia Library, Papyrology Collection, and Special Collections Research Center, as well as the Clark Library for maps, government information, and data services. Exhibit venues and events are free and open to the public. circservices@umich.edu, lib.umich.edu/hatcher-library

Music Library, 1100 Baits (Earl V. Moore Bldg.), 3rd fl. (734) 764-2512. Houses one of the nation's largest music collections, including books, scores, periodicals, sound & video recordings, and special materials. music.library@umich.edu, lib.umich.edu/music-library

Shapiro Library, 919 South University. (734) 764-7058. Holds science books, a career collection, leisure reading materials, and research & technology equipment. The Askwith Media Library carries thousands of film and television titles in a variety of formats: DVD, Blu-ray, VHS, and 16 millimeter. The Clark Commons on the third floor has a variety of comfortable study spots. Bert's Café, on the first floor, offers coffee, lunch, and snacks. circservices@umich.edu, lib.umich.edu/locations-and-hours/shapiro-library

U-M Law Library, 801 Monroe, Law Quad. (734) 764-9324. The Law Library collection includes over

one million print and digital volumes covering U.S., international, and foreign law, and provides a variety of services including legal research reference support. michigan.law.umich.edu/law-library

MUSEUMS

African American Cultural & Historical Museum of Washtenaw County, 3261 Lohr. (734) 761-1717. The AACHM offers educational programs, exhibits, and Underground Railroad bus tours and talks. Sat. & Sun. noon-4 p.m. or weekdays by appointment. info@aachm.org, aachm.org

Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, 220 E. Ann. (734) 995-5439. Works to inspire curiosity, exploration, and respect for STEM and the natural world with more than 250 interactive exhibits and preschool, family, and adult programming. Attracts more than 300,000 visitors annually. With Leslie Science & Nature Center, offers field trip and outreach programming for schools, libraries, and communities statewide and around the world. Check website for current hours and details regarding memberships, scholarships, and EBT/WIC/SNAP pricing. museum@aahom.org, discover-scienceandnature.org

Argus Museum, 525 W. William (Argus Bldg.). (313) 499-0551. Celebrates the legacy of Argus Camera, Inc., a once-prominent American camera manufacturer. The museum features a collection of vintage cameras, photographs, company memorabilia, and historical displays documenting the company's impact on photography and military optics. Housed in the historic Argus I building, the very place where the cameras were originally made, the museum offers a unique look at mid-20th-century innovation and design. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Free, but donations appreciated. director@argusmuseum.org, argusmuseum.org

Cobblestone Farm Museum, 2781 Packard. (734) 794-7120. The farmhouse museum recreates mid-19th-century rural life in Washtenaw County with living history days throughout the year. A city-owned historic district, the museum is maintained by the Cobblestone Farm Association, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Open by appointment year-round and the 3rd Sunday of each month, 1-3 p.m. Admission is free, although donations are appreciated to help maintain the museum collection. cfinfo@a2gov.org, cobblestonefarm.org, a2gov.org/cobblestone

Kempf House Museum, 312 S. Division. (734) 994-4898. This 1853 Greek Revival house, listed in the National Register of Historic Places, was home to the German-American Kempf family from 1888 to 1953. Now managed by a volunteer nonprofit board, it is furnished with Victorian antiques and many of the Kempfs' treasures, including Ann Arbor's first concert grand piano, an 1877 Steinway. The museum offers exhibits of period domestic life, open houses on select Sundays, Valentine's Day teas, and a Wednesday noon lecture series in spring and fall. Guided tours by appointment (usually with a few days notice). kempfhousmuseum@gmail.com, kempfhousmuseum.org

Museum on Main Street (Washtenaw County Historical Society), 500 N. Main, corner of Beakes & E. Kingsley. (734) 662-9092. Rotating exhibits in a historic house, featuring stories of early Washtenaw

County life. Sat. & Sun. noon-4 p.m. wchs-500@ameritech.net, washtenawhistory.org
Parker Mill, 4650 Geddes. (734) 971-6337. County-owned restored 1873 gristmill with its original milling machinery. The surrounding 45-acre park also has one of the area's few remaining log cabins. The mill is open for public tours on select Sundays in Sept. & Oct.; private tours for school, civic, and community groups available by appointment May-Oct. Free. washtenaw.org/602/parker-mill-county-park

U-M Detroit Observatory, 1398 E. Ann. (734) 763-2230. Built in 1854, this historic observatory is the oldest research building on campus. Visitors have the opportunity to observe the sky using historic telescopes, view exhibits on U-M and scientific history, and attend lectures, events, and walking tours. Thurs. & Fri. noon-5 p.m. Other scheduled events are free and open to the public with advance registration. detroitobservatory.umich.edu

U-M Kelsey Museum of Archaeology, 434 S. State (public entrance on Maynard). (734) 764-9304. Houses a permanent collection of more than 100,000 artifacts from Greece, Rome, Egypt, and the Middle East. Highlights include ancient textiles, glass, pottery, jewelry, sculpture, and artifacts of daily life. The Kelsey offers free public tours and events throughout the year, both in person and virtually. Tues.-Fri. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Mon. and U-M holidays. Free admission. kelseymuse@umich.edu, lsa.umich.edu/kelsey

U-M Museum of Art (UMMA), 525 S. State. (734) 764-0395. Works from contemporary artists, alongside objects from Asian, African, and Western traditions. Tues. & Wed. 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Thurs. & Fri. 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Closed Mon. Free. umma.umich.edu

U-M Museum of Natural History, 1105 North University. (734) 764-0478. Includes exhibits that explore the natural world from molecules to dinosaurs, a planetarium, public labs, and opportunities to meet real scientists. Tues.-Sun. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sept.-May; daily 10 a.m.-5 p.m. June-Aug. Free. umnhn.info@umich.edu, umich.edu/umnhn.org

U-M Sindecuse Museum of Dentistry, 1011 North University (Kellogg Bldg., School of Dentistry). (734) 763-0767. History of dentistry exhibitions drawn from the museum's collections. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Free. dentalmuseum@umich.edu, sindecusemuseum.org

GALLERIES

Nonprofit galleries only.

A2AC Gallery (Ann Arbor Art Center), 117 W. Liberty. (734) 994-8004. Art exhibits year-round in multiple spaces, with high-end local art for sale at the A2AC Shop. Offers a full curriculum of art classes. Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. annarborartcenter.org

Amster Gallery, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Center). (734) 971-0990. Visual arts exhibits featuring both amateur and professional local, national, and international artists. Artwork available for purchase. Mon.-Thurs. 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Fri. 9 a.m.-3 p.m. jccannarbor.org

CultureVerse Gallery, 309 S. Main. In-person and virtual exhibits of contemporary art by local, national, and international artists, as well as students. Sat.-11 a.m.-4 p.m. info@cultureverse.org, cultureverse.org

Gallery 55+, 2401 Plymouth Rd. (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998-9353. Exhibits two-dimensional art by artists age 55+. Four shows per year by two or more artists include an informal reception where artists speak. Inquiries from artists and/or volunteer committee members welcome. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. michmed.org/tswp

Gifts of Art Program at Michigan Medicine, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936-2787. Nine galleries and a permanent collection in the U-M Hospitals offer diverse exhibits by regional, national, and international artists. giftsofart@med.umich.edu, michmed.org/arts-health

Gutman Gallery, 118 N. Fourth Ave. (734) 662-3382. Fine art gallery and gallery shop produced by The Guild of Artists & Artisans. View rotating exhibitions, shop local art, and attend workshops and events year-round. Wed.-Sat. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. elizabeth@theguild.org, www.shopgutmangallery.com

Hatcher Library, U-M Special Exhibit Spaces, 913 South University. (734) 764-0401. **Clark Library**, 2nd fl.: Artwork, maps, and other materials that provide perspectives on the history, geography, and cultures of the world. **Hatcher Gallery and Hatcher Gallery Exhibit Room**, rm. 100: Event and exhibit space with items from the library's permanent collection. All exhibits and events are free and open to the public. lib.umich.edu/events

Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (734) 769-2999. An intimate, 100-seat performing arts venue and visual arts gallery in a historic home, offering performances in classical, jazz, cabaret, world, and experimental music. kch@kerrytown-concerthouse.com, kerrytownconcerthouse.com

U-M Gallery in the Duderstadt Center, 2281 Bonisteel, ste. 1019. (734) 763-0606. Works by U-M students, faculty, and staff in media ranging from traditional artwork to computer-based interactive displays. Primarily open during the school year. Tues.-Fri. & Sun. noon-6 p.m. See website for special exhibit hours. dcgallery@umich.edu, dc.umich.edu

U-M Institute for the Humanities Gallery, 202 S. Thayer, ste. 1111. (734) 936-3518. Exhibitions feature national, international, and regional artists in all media, including installation, photography, painting, and video. Each serves as a starting point for bringing new perspectives and actively engaging the community with the humanities. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. humin@umich.edu, lsa.umich.edu/humanities

U-M Lane Hall Gallery, 204 S. State. (734) 764-9537. The Women's and Gender Studies Department and the Institute for Research on Women and Gender host two exhibits per year, broadly related to issues of women and gender, in the main lobby of Lane Hall. Exhibits available for public viewing Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. irwg.umich.edu/lanehall

U-M Michigan League Galleries, 911 North University. (734) 763-5900. Lobby and hallway gallery exhibits works by community artists. Mon.-Thurs. 7 a.m.-10 p.m., Fri. & Sat. 7 a.m.-12 a.m., Sun. 8 a.m.-10 p.m. campusinvolvement.umich.edu/article/art-exhibits

U-M Stamps Gallery, 201 S. Division. (734) 615-3361. Contemporary art gallery featuring year-round innovative exhibitions from national and international artists, as well as Stamps faculty and students, working in a wide variety of media including installations, performance art, and digital art. Free public artist talks, workshops, and other programs are also available. stamps-gallery@umich.edu, stamps.umich.edu/stamps-gallery

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Forty-five acre Parker Mill County Park is home to the restored 1873 Parker Mill (complete with original machinery) and a log cabin. The mill is open for public tours on select Sundays in September and October.

Seniors

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Key:

B — Basic care. Includes help with activities of daily living, such as bathing, toileting, feeding, dressing, medication, skin care, and walking.

S — Skilled care. Provided by a licensed health professional such as an RN, LPN, or physical therapist. This may include intravenous feeding and physical therapy, among other things.

D — Dementia care

A — Alzheimer's care

ASSISTED LIVING & NURSING CENTERS

Atria Ann Arbor Senior Living, 1901 Plymouth Rd. (734) 741-9500. Atria Senior Management. Age 55+. 72 companion-living, studio, and 1- & 2-room suites. 3 meals/day, 24/7 care staff, emergency call response system, supervision of daily living, and weekly housekeeping, laundry service, and activities. Optional medication service. Short-term stays and more extensive care available. Specially trained staff for residents with memory loss. info@atriaseniiorliving.com, atriaseniiorliving.com B, D, A

Birchwood Residences, (734) 646-2900. *Birchwood Gardens*, 5272 W. Liberty. *Birchwood Living*, 685 N. Wagner Rd. *Birchwood Manor*, 2106 Camelot. Assisted Living, LLC. 3 meals/day and evening snack, medication management, daily LPN visit, housekeeping, utilities (except phone), Wi-Fi, laundry service, wheelchair-accessible van transportation, weekly licensed massage therapist visits, and respite care as space permits. Caregiver-resident ratios: 1:3 day, 1:6 night. Each residential property has 6 private furnished or unfurnished rooms (hospital beds upon request) with 32-inch TVs, 2 shared baths, ADA-accessible jetted tub, and one or more common areas. Full-service salon at Birchwood Gardens. Pets allowed on case-by-case basis. assistedlivingaa@gmail.com, <https://www.assistedlivingaa.com> B, D, A

Brookdale Ann Arbor, 2190 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. (734) 327-1350. Age 60+ (younger residents accepted with waiver). Newly renovated. 67 studio and 1-bedroom apartments; call for prices. 3 meals/day, 24/7 staff, supervision of daily living, weekly housekeeping, laundry service, bistro, activities, and transportation. Emergency call response system. Specially trained staff for residents with memory loss. brookdaleliving.com B, D, A

Brookdale West Eisenhower, 750 W. Eisenhower. (734) 213-1708. Age 60+ (younger residents accepted with special waiver). Memory care facility with 28 1-bedroom units. 3 meals/day, personal care assistance, laundry, housekeeping, medication management, 24/7 staff, licensed nurse, ambulation & escort service, life-enrichment programs, library, and hair salon. Pets allowed. brookdaleliving.com B, D, A

Clarendale Ann Arbor, 2840 S. Main. (734) 359-3519. 24 memory care studios and 28 as-

sisted living studios and 1- & 2-bedroom apartments. Assisted living apartments include all meals, housekeeping, and private washer/dryer. Licensed practical nurses on-site 24/7. Private transportation and programs, some specifically for those with Alzheimer's and memory loss. life@clarendaleannarbor.com, clarendaleannarbor.com B, D, A

Glacier Hills Care and Rehabilitation Center, 1200 Earhart. (734) 769-6410. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Skilled-care facility with long-term nursing and specialized short-stay rehabilitative programs. Physical, occupational, speech, recreational, and aquatic therapists and licensed nurses provide comprehensive rehabilitation services for recovery from acute disease or injury. Continued rehabilitation services available at Glacier Hills outpatient therapy clinic. Offers memory care, dementia care, and a life enrichment center. info@glacierhills.org, glacierhills.org B, S, D, A

Glacier Hills (Assisted Living), 1200 Earhart. (734) 764-6410. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Age 62+. 3 meals/day, housekeeping, laundry, activities, scheduled transportation, social worker, and 24/7 nursing staff. Personal care services and specialized programming for physical frailty or memory loss. info@glacierhills.org, glacierhills.org B, S, D, A

Hillside Terrace Retirement Community, 1939 Jackson Ave. (734) 761-4451. Age 60+. **The Assisted Living Garden Community** has 49 apartments and offers 3 meals/day, weekly housekeeping, linens and personal laundry, Wi-Fi, free satellite TV, all utilities (except phone), hair salon, library, chapel, daily recreational activities, and weekly shopping trips in a wheelchair-accessible van. Three different levels of care; two medication programs by licensed nurses on-site 24/7; and physical, occupational, and speech therapy. **The Palms Care Community** has 16 specialized studios and 1-bedroom apartments with in-house palliative care available. Same amenities as the Gardens; caregiver-resident ratio 1:8. **The Vineyard Neighborhood** offers 18 studio apartments in a European-style neighborhood with bistro/dining room combination, kitchenette, and living room; for those with mild to moderate dementia. **Hillside Memory Care** has 24 apartments with 24/7 care. Cats and dogs allowed. tlitz@hillside terrace.net, hillside terrace.net B, S, D, A

Optalis Health & Rehabilitation, 4701 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 975-2600. Post-acute medical and rehabilitation services, as well as hospice and respite care. 24/7 emergency response and therapy 7 days/week. Medicare, managed care, and private pay accepted. optalishealthcare.com B, S, D, A

Orchard Hills Living, 2139 Georgetown. (734) 531-9645. Residential care facility with 6 private rooms, each with TV, 2 shared bathrooms, and shared common areas. 3 home-cooked meals/day, medication management, utilities, Wi-Fi, housekeeping, laundry service, 24/7 emergency response, and activities. orchardhillsliving@gmail.com, orchardhillsliving.net B, D, A

Regency at Bluffs Park, 355 Huron View Blvd. (734) 887-8700. Short-term and sub-acute care, specializing in rehab-to-home services. 71 beds, including 33 private suites and 19 semi-private rooms. IV therapy, dietary and nutritional services, post-surgical care, pain management, and more. Accepts Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance, and private pay. emilee.learman@cienahealthcare.com, cienahealthcare.com, regency-at-bluffs-park B, S

Sheridan Living, 1718 Sheridan. (734) 929-2801. Residential care facility with 2 private and 2 semi-private rooms (each with TV), 2 shared bathrooms, and common areas. 3 home-cooked meals/day, medication management, utilities, Wi-Fi, housekeeping, laundry services,



Lori Zupan performs Broadway tunes for an audience at Clarendale Ann Arbor (Independent Living). The senior living community, which also has memory care and assisted living studios and apartments (Assisted Living & Nursing Centers), offers its residents over 200 social opportunities.

24/7 emergency response, and activities. srdliving@gmail.com, sheridan-living.com B, D, A

St. Joseph's Village, 5341 McAuley, Ypsi. (734) 712-1600. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Age 55+. 1- & 2-bedroom apartments. 3 meals/day, most utilities, weekly housekeeping, linen services, and 24/7 emergency response. stjosephsvillageseniior.org B

University Senior Living, 2865 S. Main. (734) 669-3030. Arrow Senior Living. Age 55+. 75 studio & 1-bedroom apartments. 3 meals/day, laundry, housekeeping, personal care, and 24/7 emergency response. Discussion groups, lectures, concerts, involvement with student volunteers from local universities, library, beauty/barber shop, fitness center, and exercise and yoga classes. useniorliving.com B, D, A

INDEPENDENT LIVING

This list includes senior apartments that provide no services and entry-level continuum-of-care units that provide minimal services. Management companies noted when pertinent.

All Seasons, 4600 All Seasons Cir. (734) 492-4072. 1- & 2-bedroom apartment homes (156 units) and 2-bedroom cottage residences (44 units). 2 meals/day, housekeeping and linen service, group and individual chauffeur service, calendar of events, and 24/7 emergency response monitoring. Pets allowed with deposit and monthly fee. asaa.dsm@allseasonsliving.com, allseasonsliving.com

American House Carpenter, 3470 Carpenter, Ypsi. (734) 961-4578. Age 55+. 102 efficiencies and 1- & 2-bedrooms with full kitchen and personal alarms. 3 meals/day, housekeeping, hair salon/barber shop, social activities, and

programs. Month-to-month leases available. Small pets allowed, with restrictions. carpenter@americanhouse.com, americanhouse.com

Brookhaven Manor Senior Living Community, 401 W. Oakbrook. (734) 747-8800. Fourmidable Management. Age 55+. 136 1- & 2-bedroom apartments with full kitchens. \$3,500-\$4,680/month includes utilities, daily meals in the dining room and café, weekly housekeeping and laundering of bed and bath linens, library, hair salon, fitness center, daily exercise classes, activities, and outings. Complimentary washers and dryers on each floor. Emergency medical response system and third-party home health care on-site. Carports available. Small pets allowed. info@brookhavenmanorapartments.com, brookhavenmanorapartments.com

Carpenter Place, 3400 Carpenter, Ypsi. (734) 973-8377. Evolve Communities. Age 62+ and/or disabled. 151 1-bedroom apartments, built 1981 and renovated 2022. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income and includes heat and water. Community room, sunroom, private park, and laundry facilities. One dog or cat under 25 lbs. allowed with \$300 deposit. carpenterplacemgr@envolvellc.com, carpenterplaceapartments.com

Clarendale Ann Arbor, 2830 S. Main. (734) 359-3500. 100 independent living 1- & 2-bedroom apartments with full kitchens. Includes housekeeping, meal plan, private washer/dryer, concierge and transportation services, more than 200 social opportunities, indoor pool, fitness center, and underground garage. Pets allowed. life@clarendaleannarbor.com, clarendaleannarbor.com

Cranbrook Tower, 2901 Northbrook. (734) 668-8914. KMG Prestige Inc. Age 62+ or dis-

abled. 202 1- & 2-bedroom apartments, built 1980. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income, including utilities (except phone and cable). Cash card laundry, emergency pull cords. Some pets allowed. Currently a waitlist. cranbrook@kmgprestige.com, kmgprestige.com/our-communities (search for Ann Arbor)

Glacier Hills Senior Living Community (the Meadows, the Manor, and the Pavilion Independent Living), 1200 Earhart. (734) 769-6410. Trinity Health Senior Communities. Nonprofit continuing care community. Age 62+. Studios, 1- & 2-bedroom apartments, and 2-bedroom villas. Daily continental breakfast and choice of 1 meal/day, utilities (except phone), weekly linen and biweekly housekeeping services, scheduled transportation, and cultural activities. info@glacierhills.org, glacierhills.org

Hillside Terrace Retirement Community—The Orchard Apartments Independent Living, 1939 Jackson Ave. (734) 761-4451. Age 55+. 4 studio apartments and 5 1-bedroom suites. Daily continental breakfast and choice of lunch or dinner, 24/7 emergency response call system with licensed nurse on-site, weekly housekeeping and linens, satellite TV, Wi-Fi, and all utilities (except phone), complimentary carports, storage bins, wellness spa and fitness center, hair salon, library, chapel, and biweekly shopping trips. Cats and dogs allowed. tlitz@hillside terrace.net, hillside terrace.net

Lockwood Senior Independent Living, 2195 E. Ellsworth. (734) 239-8882. Age 55+. 52 1-bedroom and 37 2-bedroom open-concept suites with private patios or balconies. 3 meals/day, utilities (except phone, Wi-Fi, streaming services), full-service beauty/barber salon, movie room, fitness center, community shuttle bus for scheduled activities, and Life Alert pendants. Optional biweekly housekeeping, bedding laundry, storage rentals. Cats and dogs under 25 lbs. allowed. annarbor@lockwoodgrp.com, lockwoodofannarbor.com

Lurie Terrace, 600 W. Huron St. (734) 665-0695. Ann Arbor Housing Commission. Age 62+. 132 units. 84 studio, 42 1-bedroom, and 6 2-bedroom apartments; \$509-\$1,417/month includes all utilities and free Wi-Fi. Library, coin laundry, and activity, conference, and workout rooms. Nonsmoking campus. lla-van@a2gov.org, a2gov.org (search for Lurie Terrace)

Parkway Meadows, 2575 Sandalwood Cir. (734) 662-5055. KMG Prestige Inc. Age 62+ or disabled. 210 1- & 2-bedroom apartments and

140 non-age-restricted 1-, 2-, & 3-bedrooms. Outdoor pool and gym. Income restrictions: Rent is no more than 30 percent of income. Pets allowed in senior apartments only, with restrictions. Currently a waitlist. parkway@kmgprestige.com, kmgprestige.com/our-communities (search for Ann Arbor)

Sequoia Place Elderly Housing, 1131 N. Maple. (734) 669-8840. Samaritas. Age 62+. 55 1-bedroom apartments. Computer lab, library, community room & kitchen, and exercise program. Can assist residents in applying for external services, but does not offer care. Pets allowed, with restrictions. fbarr@samaritas.org, samaritas.org/senior-living/locations/ann-arbor

St. Joseph's Village, 5341 McAuley, Ypsi. (734) 712-1600. Trinity Health Senior Living. Age 55+. Studios and 1- & 2-bedroom apartments. Includes dinner, most utilities, and weekly housekeeping. Laundry facility, library, hair salon, transportation, activities. stjosephsvillageseniors.org

University Commons, 817 Asa Gray. (734) 332-1221. Age 55+. Condominium community with 92 units, including townhouses and villas. Offers active participation and involvement for independent adults. Members must have a 4-year college degree. Lectures & concerts on-site, as well as library, fitness room, woodshop, recital hall, and wooded walking paths. Contact a Realtor for information on available units. universitycommons.org

University Senior Living, 2865 S. Main. (734) 205-1606. Arrow Senior Living. Age 55+. 75 studio & 1-bedroom apartments. 3 meals/day, laundry, housekeeping, personal care, and 24/7 emergency response. Discussion groups, lectures, concerts, involvement with student volunteers from local universities, library, beauty/barber shop, fitness center, and exercise/yoga classes. useniorliving.com

SENIOR SERVICES

AgeWays. (800) 852-7795. Information about and referrals to services for older adults and persons with disabilities, and their family members. Also answers Medicare and Medicaid questions. jjarvis@ageways.org, ageways.org

Ann Arbor Meals on Wheels, 3621 S. State, ste. 650. (734) 998-6686. Provides up to 13 healthy, prepared meals per week and other supportive services to homebound adults. No age or payment requirements; \$3/meal donation requested. Visit website to submit a meal request form. aamealsonwheels@umich.edu, michmed.org/aamow



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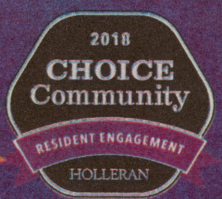
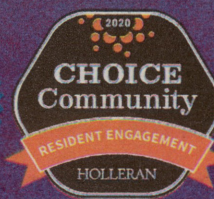
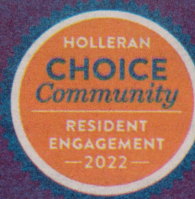
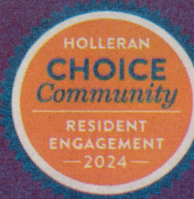
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Ann Arbor Meals on Wheels director Courtney Vanderlaan (left) and administrative assistant Wendy Smith hold bagged meals ready for delivery. Meals on Wheels (Senior Services) provides up to thirteen healthy, prepared meals per week, plus other supportive services to homebound adults.

Home Maintenance and Safety Services (Catholic Charities Washtenaw County), 4925 Packard. (734) 971-9781, ext. 352. Individuals or groups help older adults with seasonal outdoor chores, minor home maintenance and repairs, and safety installations. ccwcwashtenaw.org/home-and-safety-services

Housing Bureau for Seniors (U-M Health), 3621 S. State, ste. 710. (734) 998-9339. Services for age 55+ including eviction/foreclosure prevention, housing counseling, referrals to community services, community education and outreach, and tax preparation clinic. Annual Senior Living Week has informational workshops, a senior living expo, and tours of senior living communities. housingbureauseniors@umich.edu, uofmhealth.org/hbs

Huron Valley PACE, 2940 Ellsworth, Ypsi. (734) 572-5777. Supports seniors 55+ to remain living at home as independently as possible. Services provided on-site or in the home include adult day center activities, primary medical care, coordination of care, medications, medical equipment, physical and occupational therapies, transportation, and more. Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. info@hvpac.org, huronvalleypace.org

New American Club (NAC) for Older Adults (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769-0209. A psychosocial support program for Russian-speaking seniors born in countries of the former Soviet Union. Case management and social services, housing referrals, emergency financial assistance, burial assistance, referrals and resource advocacy, transportation, interpretation and translation services, ESL classes, Meals on Wheels, friendly home visits, kosher congregate meals and food pantry program, short- and long-term counseling, cultural & health education, and field trips. info@jfsann-arbor.org, jfsannarbor.org/new-american-club

Senior Resource Connect (Catholic Charities), (734) 971-9781, ext. 6. Helps traditional caregivers and community members identify

at-risk older adults and connect them with resources. Includes an online directory of 500+ local resources, a self-assessment quiz, a caregiver events calendar, a weekly blog, and training on identifying elder abuse. seniorresource-connectmi.org

Senior Services (Catholic Charities), 4925 Packard. (734) 971-9781. Offers a variety of community-based programs to aid the 60+ population, including resource advocacy, assistance navigating Medicaid/Medicare, Senior Volunteers (see RSVP in Volunteer Resources, below), home maintenance and safety services, minor chore and repair services, respite and adult day activities, support for grandparents as parents, and Senior Resource Connect (see above). ccwcwashtenaw.org/seniors

Silver Club Memory Programs, 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998-9352. For older adults with memory loss, cognitive impairment, or early stages of related dementias. Mind Works (Wed. 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.), an all-male group, provides mental exercise, memory techniques, and community engagement. The Elderberry Club (Tues. 10:30 a.m.-3 p.m.), an all-female group, meets for discussion, friendship, and creative expression. The Silver Club Enrichment Program (Mon.-Fri. 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m.) is a structured, activity-based program for those with moderate memory loss. Activities include fitness, art, gardening, games, and socialization; lunch is included. Prescreening required for all groups. Sliding scale fee. germedsilverclub@umich.edu, michmed.org/silver-club-memory

Turner African American Services Council, 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998-9353. Creates partnerships between the community and local health care providers to increase and enhance access to wellness, health education, and health care for diverse and underserved older adults. info.taasc@umich.edu, michmed.org (search for TAASC)

Turner Senior Wellness Program (Michigan Medicine), 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998-9353. Improves quality of life for older adults and their families by providing health lectures, exercise classes, information about community resources, support groups, technology mentoring, and more. Throughout the building, **Gallery 55+** displays art by people age 55+. Telecoil hearing aid loop in main conference room. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Lunch served Tues. & Fri. noon; \$3 donation for those age 65+; \$5.50 for others. No fees for regular events. tswp.info@umich.edu, michmed.org/tswp

Washtenaw Support Network for Caregivers. (734) 998-9352. Collaborative initiative for anyone who cares for a family member or friend age 60+. Provides caregiver educational programs and social outings, individualized care-planning consultations, group transportation and respite care during caregiver activities, home chores, and handyperson services. Services provided at no cost. washtenawcaregivers@umich.edu, michmed.org/washtenawcaregivers

WISE Aging & Caregiver Support Services (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769-0209. Support for aging individuals and caregivers of aging or ill loved ones. Information, referrals, introductions to facilities and service providers, monthly support groups, and educational workshops. Care management, nutrition services, medical and health support, transportation assistance, social connections, home support and transitions, mental health support, insurance and legal matters, and end-of-life decisions and care. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org/wise

WISE CARES (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769-0209. Caregiver Assessment, Respite, Education, & Support (CARES) supports caregivers who care for someone age 60+ who lives in Washtenaw County, and helps them recharge, reconnect, and regroup. Caregiver does not have to reside in Washtenaw County. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org/cares

WISE Comfort Line (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769-0209. Trained volunteers contact older adults to reduce social isolation, identify emerging needs, and brighten their days. Volunteers screen for critical needs; if needed, can refer to the WISE team of social work professionals for follow-up and services. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org/wise

WISE Safety Net (Jewish Family Services), 2245 S. State. (734) 769-0209. Case managers provide older adults 8 weeks of support by navigating programs and services to help them better manage at home. Includes connection and assistance with medical services, transportation, and nutrition services. Services provided at no cost. info@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org/wise-safety-net

SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Ann Arbor Senior Center, 1320 Baldwin. (734) 794-6250. Brittany Patton, director. Offers community programs to empower and engage older adults in meaningful ways. Provides recreational and cultural activities that can improve physical stamina, encourage social engagement, and foster creativity. Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-4 p.m. bpattton@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/senior

Elderwise, 2275 Platt. (734) 340-4691. Local nonprofit providing lifelong learning classes with lively discussions and a welcoming atmosphere for over 30 years. Online and in-person classes in the arts, history, culture, nature, politics, science, health, and hobbies & crafts. Classes \$10-\$20; discounts with membership (\$40/year). elderwiselearning@gmail.com, elderwiselearning.org

Mature Ministries, 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 904-0049. Programs for age 60+ interested in contemporary Christian topics, personal growth, and social activities. Lunch and Learn gatherings generally on the 1st Thurs. (\$12 per

person); monthly writing group. Church nurses are present for referrals and resources. Six day-long field trips by chartered bus to interesting places, including lunch and discussion afterward, and an annual overnight trip to Stratford. mrogers@fpca2.org, fpca2.org

New Horizons Senior String Orchestra, 1500 Scio Church Rd. (Westminster Presbyterian Church). Ensemble of amateur string players who gather for the enjoyment of making music. New members welcome, especially in violist section. No audition required, but the ability to play two-octave major scales and several fingerboard positions is recommended. Rehearsals Sept.-Apr., most Wed. 1-3 p.m. Membership \$260 (includes music). Led by E. Dan Long and Gabe Villasurda. chilko@aol.com

Osher Lifelong Learning Institute (U-M), 2401 Plymouth Rd., ste. C (Turner Senior Resource Center). (734) 998-9351. Volunteer-centered program for age 50+ who love learning. Lecture series, study groups, social events, trips, and special programs to enhance quality of life. Membership \$35-\$300/year (four tiers available), plus ad hoc pricing for all programming. Scholarships available. olli.info@umich.edu, olli-umich.org

Pittsfield Senior Center, 701 W. Ellsworth. (734) 822-2117. Activities for age 50+ include yoga, tai chi, cardio drumming, Spanish classes, monthly book club, flower arranging, crafting, archery, euchre, mah-jongg, painting, bingo, creative writing, and dance. Educational and personal enrichment workshops, social events, and day trips. Annual membership \$5 for township residents, \$10 for nonresidents. Mon. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Tues.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4 p.m. seniors@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/seniors

Washtenaw Community College Emeritus Scholarships Program. (734) 677-5060. Tuition-free credit and noncredit WCC classes for Washtenaw County residents age 65+ (noncredit classes mandatory fees not included). WCC also offers free weekly classes at 14 community and senior centers. info@wccnet.edu, wccnet.edu

U-M Kinesiology Community Programs/Lifetime Fitness. (734) 647-2708. Designed for seniors but open to all, 9-10 a.m. at Briarwood Mall. Mon., Wed., Fri. chair aerobics; Tues. Strength, Stretch, and Balance; and Thurs. Zumba Gold & Strength. Free; donations appreciated. kines.umich.edu/lifetime-fitness

WISE Senior Center @ the J. 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 219-5354. Congregate meals at the Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor, organized by Jewish Family Services. Enjoy lunch, activities, games, and movies. Mon., Wed., and Fri. at noon. Suggested donation \$3 for age 60+, \$5.50 for those under 60. rebeccan@jfsannarbor.org, jfsannarbor.org/wise-senior-center

VOLUNTEERING RESOURCES

This list includes groups the connect volunteers to multiple organizations. Descriptions of more than thirty groups seeking volunteers are available online at annarborobserver.com/volunteering.

Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) (Catholic Charities), 4925 Packard. (734) 971-9781 (press 8 for Seniors). Connects adults 55+ to meaningful volunteer opportunities with local frontline organizations based on their skills, experience, and interests. Contact form on website. ccwewashtenaw.org/rsvp

United Way for Southeastern Michigan, 2305 Platt. (734) 971-8200. Connect with over 350 volunteer opportunities through 200+ nonprofit organizations in Washtenaw County and across the region. liveunitedsem.org, volunteerwashtenaw.org

YMCA Volunteering, 400 W. Washington. (734) 996-9622. Several on- and off-site volunteer programs for youth and adults, including the Youth Volunteer Corps, Eco Leaders, and more. volunteer@annarborymca.org, annarborymca.org/volunteering

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ANNUAL EVENTS

Highlights of Ann Arbor's yearly calendar. For current events, see the Observer or check Events on annarborobserver.com. Note: This listing spans two years—always check the year as well as the date.

Dawn Farm Jamboree, 6633 Stony Creek Rd. (734) 485-8725. Family-friendly event with activities for all ages: music and entertainment, live and silent auctions, children's games and activities, hayrides, farm animals, pumpkin patch, and local food. All proceeds support Dawn Farm's scholarship fund for people with addictions. Free admission. Sept. 7, 2025, 1-6 p.m. donation@dawnfarm.org, dawnfarm.org

Apples and Honey, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Center). (734) 971-0990. Annual family event celebrating the Jewish fall holidays of Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot, and Simchat Torah. Hands-on crafts, games, and inflatables; snacks, food, and baked goods for purchase; and more. Apple and honey tasting. Open to all. Sept. 14, 2025. peretz-hirshbein@jccannarbor.org, jccannarbor.org

Green Fair, downtown Main. (734) 794-6430, ext. 43725. Activities and exhibitors with a focus on sustainability and climate action. Sept. 19, 2025, 5-8 p.m. sustainability@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/greenfair

Ann Arbor Russian Festival, 9900 Jackson Rd., Dexter (St. Vladimir Orthodox Church). (734) 475-4590. This 11th annual celebration of Russian culture features a tearoom, live music and entertainment, Slavic food and drink, a dance floor, kids activities, and vendor tables. Sept. 20 & 21, 2025. annarbormussianfestival@gmail.com, annarbormussianfestival.org

Edgefest, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (Kerrytown Concert House). (734) 769-2999. One of North America's premier festivals for avant-garde and improvisational music, featuring jazz and experimental new music. Oct. 8-11, 2025. kch@kerrytownconcerthouse.com, kerrytownconcerthouse.com/edgefest

A2CAF: Small + Indie Press, 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Downtown Library). Free, one-day celebration of small press comics publishing. Exhibitions, workshops, panel discussions, and signings. Note: Due to the content of many independently published books, this event is intended for a teen and adult audience. Offshoot of Ann Arbor Comic Arts Festival (A2CAF; see below). Oct. 11, 2025, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. a2l.org/a2cafsip

Ann Arbor Antiquarian Book Fair, 530 S. State (Michigan Union ballroom). Jay Platt, (734) 995-1891. 30 book dealers sell first editions, old and collectible books, children's books, Americana, prints, and more to benefit the William L. Clements Library. Oct. 26, 2025, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. jplatt@provide.net, annarborbookfair.com



Michigan-bred Americana band the Rebel Eves performs at a July Sonic Lunch concert (Annual Events). The series brings free concerts to Liberty Plaza every Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Michigan A Cappella Festival (MACFest). A showcase for all 15 U-M a cappella groups. Tickets \$10 at the door. Nov. 2025; exact date TBA. facebook.com/michiganacappella

A2 Community Bookfest, 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Downtown Library). (734) 327-4200. The largest one-day book festival in Michigan celebrates books and bookmaking with a variety of demos, author talks, signings, hands-on workshops, kids events, and sale tables by local bookstores, booksellers, and publishers. Nov. 9, 2025, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. bookfest@a2l.org, a2l.org/bookfest

Ann Arbor Polish Film Festival, 1533 Broadway. Founded in 1993, this juried competition showcases new independent Polish movies in all genres, including animation, documentaries, and short films, as well as a children's program. Screenings at the Michigan and State theaters (603 E. Liberty and 233 S. State). Nov. 14-16, 2025. pcfannarbor@gmail.com, annarbormpolishfilmfestival.com

KindleFest, 303 Detroit St. (Ann Arbor Farmers Market). German-style Christmas market featuring vendors selling holiday wares, plus traditional food and hot mulled wine, in a festive outdoor setting in Kerrytown. Includes kids activities and live music. Dec. 5, 2025, 5-10 p.m. kerrytowndistrict@gmail.com, kerrytowndistrict.org/kindlefest

Ann Arbor Folk Festival, 825 North University (Hill Auditorium). (734) 761-1800. Tickets: (734) 763-8587. Two evenings of concerts of roots and acoustic

music to benefit the Ark (see Music Clubs, below). Features well-known acts along with musicians on the rise. Jan. 30 & 31, 2026. feedback@theark.org, theark.org/folk-festival

The Ark's Storytelling Festival, 316 S. Main. (734) 761-1800. International, national, and regional storytellers. Feb. 20-22, 2026. Fri. & Sat. evening (aimed at adults) and Sun. 1 p.m. (aimed at kids). feedback@theark.org, theark.org

Tree Town Comedy Festival, 212 S. Fourth Ave. (Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase). Four-day stand-up comedy event with national headliners, also featuring an array of comics from Michigan. Mar. 2026; exact dates TBA. treetowncomedy@gmail.com, treetowncomedy.com

Ann Arbor Jewish Film Festival, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Center). (734) 971-0990. Hosted annually at the State Theatre downtown, the JCC showcases films that embrace Jewish life socially, culturally, ethically, and spiritually, and that inspire engagement with legacy and heritage. Mar. 2026. jccannarbor.org/film-festival

Ann Arbor Film Festival, 603 E. Liberty (Michigan Theater); PO Box 8232, AA 48107. (734) 995-5356. Founded in 1963, the longest-running independent and experimental film series in North America celebrates film as art with screenings of more than 180 films of all lengths and genres. Also juried competitions, panels, workshops, and multimedia installations. Occurs virtually as well as in person at the Michigan Theater and U-M's North Quad Space 2435. Mar. 24-29, 2026. info@aafilmfest.org, aafilmfest.org

Con Ja Nai, 812 Washington (Modern Languages Bldg.). Japanese animation and pop culture convention run by Aniamania, the Japanese Animation Film Society at U-M, one of the oldest university anime clubs in the U.S. 2026 celebrates the convention's 30th anniversary. Film screenings, musical performances, panel talks, and local artists and vendors. Spring 2026; exact dates TBA. aniamania@umich.edu, chair@conjanai.org, conjanai.org

Wine, Women, and Song, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (Kerrytown Concert House). (734) 769-2999. "Cabaret fundraiser" for Kerrytown Concert House. Local, notable singer-actresses perform Broadway show tunes, jazz standards, folk songs, and choreographed arrangements of pop favorites. Wine included in admission. Spring 2026; exact dates TBA. kch@kerrytownconcerthouse.com, kerrytownconcerthouse.com

Hash Bash, U-M Diag. An Ann Arbor tradition since 1972, a celebration of cannabis and advocacy for reform of marijuana laws. The simultaneous Monroe St. Fair features live music, vendors, food, and more. First weekend of Apr. hash-bash.com

FoolMoon & FestiFools. FoolMoon, a community-created public art celebration featuring handmade luminary sculptures. FestiFools, a public art parade down Main St. featuring huge papier-mâché puppets around an annual theme. FoolMoon: Apr. 10, 2026, dusk-midnight. FestiFools: Apr. 12, 2026, 4 p.m. marktuck@umich.edu, linktr.ee/festifoollstudio

Dawn Farm Ride for Recovery, 6633 Stony Creek Rd. (734) 485-8725. Family fun and fitness event with four bike rides to choose from, a run/walk, and a Recovery Celebration lunch. All proceeds support Dawn Farm's scholarship fund for people with addictions. 2026 date TBA; typically held in Apr. rideforrecovery@dawnfarm.org, dawnfarmrideforrecovery.org

Earth Day Festival, 1831 Traver (Leslie Science & Nature Center). (734) 995-5439. Free, family-friendly environmental celebration with displays from local nonprofits; live entertainment; hands-on activities; presentations on wind energy, water, green building, and sustainable agriculture; and more. Participants are encouraged to bring reusable water bottles to this zero-waste event. Apr. 2026; exact date TBA. info@lesliesnc.org, discoverscienceandnature.org/a2earthday

Huron River Day, 3000 Fuller (Gallup Park). (734) 794-6240. Free, family-friendly river activities, including exhibits, live music, food vendors, fishing, nature walks, live animals from Leslie Science & Nature Center, and a children's scavenger hunt. Also discounted canoe and kayak rentals (\$5, or free if you bike to the event). May 2026; exact date TBA. a2gov.org/hrd

Cinetopia Film Festival. (734) 668-8397. Founded in 2012, this festival features "the best films from the world's best film festivals," including many Michigan premieres, screened at the Michigan and State theaters. Includes narrative feature-length films and documentaries that recently premiered at international festivals such as Sundance, Venice, and Berlin, as well as short films from Michigan filmmakers. May 2026; exact dates TBA. info@marquee-arts.org, marquee-arts.org/cinetopia

Sonic Lunch, 310 S. Division (Liberty Plaza). Free, all-ages summer concerts presented by the Bank of Ann Arbor. A different band performs each week; many are regional, and some are national or international. Lunch from a local vendor available for purchase. Memorial Day-Labor Day, Thurs. 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. soniclunch.com

Dixboro Summer Days, 5151 Plymouth Rd. (Moonwinks). Free live music all day from local and regional acts, kids activities, food and drink for sale, outdoor grilling. May-Aug., one Sat. per month, 1-10 p.m. moonwinksa2.com



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A²ZERO Week. (734) 794-6430, ext. 43725. Celebrates the City of Ann Arbor's plan to achieve a just transition to community-wide carbon neutrality by 2030 with classes, open houses, and celebrations. *Early June 2026; exact dates TBA.* sustainability@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/a2zeroweeek

Third Place MusicFest. Four-day festival in multiple venues in downtown Ann Arbor featuring a diverse array of musicians, founded on the principle that concerts should be "radically welcoming, accessible, and inclusive." *June 2026; exact dates TBA.* thirdplaceconcertseries@gmail.com, thirdplacemusic.org

Japan Week. Free Japan-related events at venues throughout downtown, including performances, art demonstrations, film screenings, and cooking workshops. Kid- and family-friendly. Sponsored by the U-M Center for Japanese Studies. *2026 dates TBA; typically held in June.* cjs.events@umich.edu, ii.umich.edu/cjs/news-events/events/ann-arbor-japan-week

Ann Arbor Comic Arts Festival (A2CAF), 343 S. Fifth Ave. (Downtown Library). Free, two-day celebration of comics and graphic novels and their fandoms. Workshops, art activities, live music, and panel discussions. *June 2026; exact dates TBA.* a2caf.com

Broken Branch Ranch, 6090 Plymouth Rd. Monthly outdoor summer music performances by local and regional acts. Free; tips accepted. Attendees encouraged to bring their own camp chairs, blankets, and coolers. *First Sat., June-Aug., 6-9 p.m.* adam.labeaux@gmail.com, facebook.com/a2brokenbranch

Ya'ssoo Greek Festival, 3109 Scio Church Rd. (St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church). (734) 332-8200. Live Greek music, St. Nicholas Dancers, Agora Marketplace, bookstore, church presentations, raffle with prizes donated by local businesses, and homemade Greek food and pastries. *June 5-7, 2026.* annarbor-greekfestival.org

Ann Arbor African American Festival, N. Fourth Ave. & E. Ann. (734) 858-9121. Crafts, merchandise, food, and kids activities, with musical, theatrical, and dance performances. *June 6, 2026, 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; always held the first Sat. in June.* a2eventscoalition@gmail.com, facebook.com/annarboraaaf

Juneteenth, 200 Depot St. (Wheeler Park). (734) 761-9084. Commemorates the announcement of the end of slavery in Texas and the Southwest on June 19, 1865. Performances by local talent, games, health and nonprofit information, food concessions, vendors, cake walk, a children's area, and free bicycle repairs. *June 20, 2026.* wyhamp@comcast.net, naacpofann-arbor.com

Shakespeare in the Arb, 1610 Washington Heights (Nichols Arboretum). (734) 647-7600. University students and local actors in an alfresco production of a Shakespeare play that moves through various settings in the Arb. One performance includes ASL interpretation. *2026 dates TBA; typically held in June.* mbgna.umich.edu/shakespeare-in-the-arb

Ann Arbor Summer Festival & Top of the Park, 915 E. Washington. (734) 994-5999. Tickets: (734) 764-2538. Champions performing arts, outdoor entertainment, and community spirit by presenting

more than 200 events, 90 percent of which are free. The **Summer Festival** ticketed series features performances by marquee talent in music, public radio, circus, dance, and comedy in a variety of venues. The free **Top of the Park**, held outdoors on Ingalls Mall, offers concerts, movies, kids activities, wellness classes, open-air spectacles, and local food vendors. *June & July 2026; exact dates TBA.* a2sf.org

German Park Picnic, 5549 Pontiac Tr. (734) 769-0048. Old-fashioned German dinner served à la carte (approximately \$10-\$15) with wine, beer, pop, water, and coffee for sale. Kid-friendly options (hot dogs, hamburgers) also available. Dancing to live German polkas and other European dance music. *Last Sat. June-Aug.* info@germanpark.org, germanpark.org

Michigan Celtic Festival (formerly **Saline Celtic Festival**), 5055 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. This summer celebration of Saline's sister city, Brecon, Wales, features food, beer, clan tents, kids activities, and Celtic music and dance on several stages by visiting and local performers. *July 2026; exact dates TBA.* mi-celtic.org

Rolling Sculpture Car Show. More than 200 antique, classic, and concept cars on display downtown. Registration required. *July 2026; exact date TBA.* director@mainstreetann Arbor.org, mainstreetann Arbor.org/rolling-sculpture

Ann Arbor Festival of Song, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (Kerrytown Concert House). Performances of art song and vocal chamber music, typically held the week after Art Fair. *July 2026; exact dates TBA.* janesro@bgsu.edu, a2fos.org

Ann Arbor Art Fair. Three concurrent, independently juried art fairs with almost 1,000 artists, entertainment stages, artist demonstrations, art activities, and food & drink vendors. The **Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, the Original** (734-994-5260, artfair.org), is on Ingalls Mall, North University, and E. Washington. **Ann Arbor's State Street District Art Fair** (734-646-1500, statestreetdistrict.org) is in the business district around State and Liberty. The **Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair** (734-662-3382, theguild.org) has a downtown section on Main and Liberty and campus sections on S. State and South University. *July 16-18, 2026, Thurs. & Fri. 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Sat. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; always held during the third week of July.*

Ann Arbor Pride. Celebrates the diversity of gender identity, sexual orientation, and the LGBTQ+ community. All are welcome. Live music, dancing, food, substance-free spaces and events, family-friendly programming, resource connecting, and other events. *Aug. 1, 2026; always held the first Sat. in Aug.* annarborpride.com

ARTS SERIES

Academy of Early Music, PO Box 7694, AA 48107. (734) 228-4338. Full concert season celebrating music from the Middle Ages to the Classical era, featuring period-instrument ensembles from around the world. Performs at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church and Zion Lutheran Church, and holds lectures and outreach events with series artists. info@academy-ofearlymusic.org, academyofearlymusic.org

Ann Arbor Civic Band, 1300 Baldwin (Burns Park). Gail Ferguson Stout, president, (734) 260-9828. Community band performs free concerts Wed. evenings in June and July at Burns Park. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. annarborcivicband@gmail.com, annarborcivicband.wixsite.com/aacb

Ann Arbor Civic Theatre, 322 W. Ann. (734) 971-2228. Nonprofit, member-supported community theater group founded in 1929, with a focus on welcoming all members of the community to participate. Shows include musicals, plays, classics, and newer productions staged at a small studio theater and



COURTESY OF FESTIFOOLS

FestiFools, possibly the most Ann Arbor thing ever, makes its way down Main St. Every year, the huge papier-mâché puppets are created around a different theme (Annual Events).



MARK BIALEK

On the third week of July, the Ann Arbor Art Fair takes over downtown (Annual Events). The State Street District Art Fair, held in the business district around State and Liberty, is one of the three fairs that make up the event.

U-M's Arthur Miller Theatre. Also offers children's theater productions, monthly improv events, and educational opportunities. manager@a2ct.org, a2ct.org

Ann Arbor Concert Band, PO Box 1843, AA 48106. (734) 478-7515. Founded in 1978, this community symphonic wind ensemble, under the baton of artistic director and conductor David Leach, performs new compositions and classic band repertoire four times per season at the Michigan Theater and Hill Auditorium. contactus@aaband.org, aaband.org

Ann Arbor Society for Musical Arts (SMA), 1830 Washtenaw Ave. (Ann Arbor City Club). (734) 995-4417. Presents three instrumental music concerts in the fall and three in the spring. Sponsors competitions of young musicians. info@annarborsma.org, annarborsma.org

Ann Arbor Symphony Orchestra (A2SO), 25 Research Dr., ste. 100. (734) 994-4801. This local

professional orchestra, led by music director Earl Lee, presents a 2025-26 concert season featuring seven-time Grammy winner Jacob Collier, Grammy-winning pianist Michelle Cann, Opus Klassik's 2023 Singer of the Year Juliana Zara, a special Lunar New Year and Valentine's celebration, and a co-commission with the New York Philharmonic. The orchestra also offers free educational programs, including KinderConcerts and instrument petting zoos. info@a2so.org, a2so.org

The Encore Musical Theatre Company, 7714 Ann Arbor St., Dexter. (734) 268-6200. Professional, nonprofit musical theater company showcases national and top regional talent in an intimate setting. Produces musicals, cabarets, and tribute concerts year-round. Summer musical theater camps. info@theencoretheatre.org, theencoretheatre.org

Theatre NOVA

An innovative company faces an uncertain time.

Across Huron St. from the YMCA, the Yellow Barn emerges inconspicuously from the parking lot, its yellow and green exterior popping out from the surrounding service businesses. Step inside, and you'll find yourself in Theatre NOVA's intimate performance space. There's room for just seventy people, with seats right up to the stage.

Theatre NOVA takes pride in their size—with only seven permanent staff members, they're on the smaller side for a professional theater company.

"Our size isn't a limitation, it's our superpower," says producing artistic director Diane Hill. Without the weight of a larger space and staff, Theatre NOVA is able to take risks and try new things—for instance, it's the only professional theatre in Southeast Michigan committed to exclusively performing contemporary works.

Theatre NOVA is heading into its eleventh season in 2026 in the face of financial uncertainty. In the summer of 2025, the Trump administration called for a 35 percent cut in funding for the National Endowment for the Arts. Its grants are vital to many creative organizations, and Theatre NOVA is no exception.

"The biggest and most devastating thing is how this is affecting the Michigan Arts and Culture Council," says Theatre NOVA's founding artistic director Carla Milarch. The MACC is responsible for disbursing federal funds to community organizations, but now its future is up in the air.

"Honestly, we don't even know if there will be MACC funding next season," Milarch says. "It's devastating, and if it turns out there is no MACC funding, we will lose between

5 and 10 percent of our annual operating revenue."

Theatre NOVA depends on federal funding for support in multiple areas of operation: compensating actors and playwrights, maintaining and upgrading performance and rehearsal spaces and their accessibility, funding their Playmakers Summer Camp to bring theater education to Ann Arbor students, and continuing to function in countless other ways.

"Without continued support from NEA and MACC, we risk losing a consistent and reliable source of income that sustains our core operations," explains Shelby Seeley, a producing artistic director and the literary manager of Theatre NOVA. "Our mission—to bring new plays and new voices to Ann Arbor—would be at serious risk."



J. ADRIAN WYLLIE

(From left) Theatre NOVA artistic directors Diane Hill, Briana O'Neal, and Carla Milarch are staying flexible and widening their search for grants in the face of Trump's National Endowment for the Arts cuts.

Green Wood Coffee House Series, 3150 Glazier Way (Grace Church), and 5221 Church Rd. (Dixboro United Methodist Church). (734) 645-0944. Folk and acoustic music on many Fri. nights. Sept.-May. greenwoodcoffeehouse.org

John E. Lawrence Summer Jazz Concert Series, 9075 S. Huron River Dr. (Ford Lake Park), Ypsi. (734) 635-5446. Free outdoor performances by national and area jazz standouts. Veteran local jazz guitarist Lawrence opens each night by playing a piece with the featured artist. Bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. Fri. evenings, July & Aug. johnelaw@sbcglobal.net, johnelawrencejazz.com

Kerrytown Chime, 407 N. Fifth Ave., 2nd fl. (Kerrytown Market and Shops). Everyone welcome to play this 17-bell chime; more than 200 songs written out by number to choose from. Free. Open Wed. & Fri. noon-12:30 p.m., Sat. 10:30-11 a.m., other times with advance reservation. ofglobal@aol.com, kerrytown.com/about

Kerrytown Concert House, 415 N. Fourth Ave. (734) 769-2999. A 100-seat intimate performing arts venue and visual arts gallery in a historic home, offering performances in classical, jazz, cabaret, world, experimental music, and more. kch@kerrytown-concerthouse.com, kerrytownconcerthouse.com

Jewish Community Center, 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 971-0990. Monthly Jewish cultural offerings including musical performances by touring artists, author talks, book signings, and more. Open to all. jccannarbor.org

Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty. (734) 668-8397. Ann Arbor's 1920s movie palace. A nonprofit center for fine film and the performing arts, open 365 days a year. Hosts the Ann Arbor Film Festival, Cinetopia International Film Festival, the Not Just For Kids professional live theater series, national and international touring performers, Young Filmmakers Camp, daily film screenings (see Films, below), and more. Membership: \$35/year and up. hfeuka@marquee-arts.org, marquee-arts.org

The Penny Seats Theatre Company, 206 E. Huron St. (Cahoots). (734) 926-5346. Low-cost shows held at Cahoots Event Center and occasionally other venues. Dramas and comedies, musicals and original adaptations, classics and works by up-and-coming

Theatre NOVA is preparing by staying flexible and trusting in their Ann Arbor community. They've also widened their search for grants, donors, and sponsors.

"The first [step] is to apply for as many other community and national grants as we have time to write," says Milarch. "We've already secured our first national grant from the Shubert Foundation, so we are having success!"

In such uncertain times, Theatre NOVA isn't losing sight of their mission as a company and their commitment to supporting the arts, no matter what. As Briana O'Neal, producing artistic director and resident stage manager, puts it, "We all need the arts, and right now, the arts need you."

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Theatre NOVA, 410 W. Huron St. (734) 635-8450. Professional theater producing new plays year-round. The season includes six mainstage productions (comedies, dramas, and a holiday show for families) and the Michigan Playwrights Festival, featuring staged readings of new works in development. On-site free parking and pay-what-you-can tickets available. Also offers after-school classes and summer theater camps through AAPS Rec & Ed. a2theatrenova@gmail.com, theatrenova.org

U-M Basement Arts, 1226 Murfin (Walgreen Drama Center, North Campus). Student-run theater group presents 6-10 free classic, contemporary, or original shows each semester. umichbasementarts.com

U-M English Department Zell Visiting Writers Series, 525 S. State (U-M Museum of Art's Stern Auditorium). (734) 615-3710. Hosts emerging and established fiction writers, poets, essayists, and critics 10 times each year, virtually and in person. All events are free; seats are first come, first served. kimjulie@umich.edu, events.umich.edu/group/3463

U-M School of Music, Theatre & Dance, 1100 Baits (E.V. Moore Bldg.). (734) 764-0583. Tickets: (734) 764-2538. The school's faculty and students present more than a thousand performances every year, including solo and ensemble concerts, theater, musical theater, opera, and dance. Performances, most free and open to the public, take place at various campus locations. The ticketed performance season includes numerous fully staged productions and ensemble concerts. smttickets@umich.edu, smt.umich.edu, tickets.smt.umich.edu

U-M University Activities Center, 530 S. State (Michigan Union). (734) 763-1107. An umbrella organization for more than a dozen U-M student organizations, including performing arts presenters Amazon' Blue (coed a cappella ensemble), Big Ticket Productions (big-name entertainment), Blue Bop Jazz Orchestra, ComCo (comedy improv troupe), Groove Performance Group (musical performance using non-traditional percussion), Impact Dance (dance company performing a variety of styles), M-agination Films (student-produced films), M-Flicks (free on-campus movie screenings), the student-directed Michigan Pops Orchestra, MUSIC Matters (hosts concerts with local and national talent), MUSKET (musical theater company), Photonix (glowsticking), Rhythm (tap ensemble), and the Rude Mechanicals (theater group producing a contemporary and classic piece each season). Most have Facebook pages and events that are open to the public. uac.umich.edu

University Musical Society (UMS), 881 North University (Burton Memorial Tower). (734) 764-2538. Presents top international orchestras and classical soloists, chamber ensembles, jazz and global traditional artists, international theater, contemporary events, and dance artists at Hill Auditorium, Power Center, Rackham Auditorium, and other venues. Also, dozens of free educational events. ums.org

Washtenaw Community Concert Band, PO Box 970047, Ypsi 48197. (734) 252-9221. This 80-piece volunteer adult community band led by conductor and music director J. Nick Smith performs seven free concerts each year at WCC's Towsley Auditorium and other venues. Sponsors a concerto competition and young Michigan composer contest. wccband.org



JEFF DUNN JAZZ PHOTOGRAPHY

NYC-based jazz quartet East Axis performs at Kerrytown Concert House (Art Series) as part of avant-garde improvisational music festival Edgefest.

COMEDY

Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase, 212 S. Fourth Ave. (734) 996-9080. Founded in 1984, features a mix of nationally touring headliners and rising local comedians. Wed.-Sat. (Thurs.-Sat. in summer). Full bar and light snacks. Ages 18+. boxoffice@aacomedy.com, aacomedy.com

hear.say brewing + theater, 2350 W. Liberty. (734) 506-8441. Regular improv and stand-up comedy shows most Thurs.-Sun. Live music, games, trivia, improv comedy classes, and other events throughout the week. heardotsay.com

FILMS

8 Ball Movie Night, 201 S. First (the Blind Pig). Free cult and B-movie screenings around a theme every other Tues. Trivia, mini golf, bar, and refreshments. Ages 21+. 8ballmovienight.weebly.com

Cinemark Ann Arbor 20+ IMAX, 4100 Carpenter, Ypsi. (734) 973-8424. First-run multiplex with 20 screens, including an IMAX theater. Screenings include first-run South Asian (Telugu, Hindi, and Punjabi) films, with subtitles. Food court, game room, reclining seats. Hearing assistance devices available. cinemark.com/michigan/ann-arbor-20-and-imax

Michigan Theater, 603 E. Liberty. (734) 668-8397. Contemporary and classic films in two rooms: the restored 1928 Main Theater (1,600 seats) and the Screening Room (200 seats). Live organ introduction for many films in the Main Theater. Advance tickets are encouraged and available online. info@marquee-arts.org, marquee-arts.org

State Theatre, 233 S. State. (734) 668-8397. Restored 1942 Art Deco theater with first-run, independent, repertory, and foreign films on four screens. Advance tickets are encouraged and available online. info@marquee-arts.org, marquee-arts.org

U-M Film Series. Campus-based series open to the general public throughout the year, including Korean Cinema NOW, II Cineforum: Italian Classics on Campus, South Asian Film Series, and CHOP (China Ongoing Perspectives) Film Series. Usually held at the Michigan Theater or State Theatre. ii.umich.edu/ii/news-events

MUSIC CLUBS

Live contemporary music, karaoke, & DJs.

The Ark, 316 S. Main. Tickets: (734) 763-8587. Office: (734) 761-1800. This 400-seat club presents a wide range of folk and roots music by local, national, and international performers. feedback@theark.org, theark.org

The Blind Pig, 208 S. First. (734) 996-8555. Legendary local concert venue with live music or other live entertainment many evenings. No food. Age restrictions vary; check website or call ahead. Mon.-Fri. 5 p.m.-2 a.m., Sat. & Sun. 3 p.m.-2 a.m. blindpigmusic.com

Blue Karaoke, 3500 W. Liberty. (734) 302-3673. Karaoke club with seven private party rooms for groups of 1-100; whole-space rentals available. 50,000+ songs to choose from with lyrics in 11 languages. Bring your own food, beverages, and party favors. Reservations only. s8200311@gmail.com, bluekaraoke.com

Blue LLama Jazz Club & Restaurant, 314 S. Main. (734) 372-3200. Restaurant & music venue with Afro Caribbean-inspired menu and state-of-the-art stage & sound system that features live jazz & world music by local and international artists. All ages welcome. hello@blue llamaclub.com, blue llamaclub.com

Cantina, 1140 South University. (734) 222-3715. Student-centered taqueria, bar, and nightclub features karaoke night on Tues., country night on Wed., and rotating DJs Thurs.-Sat. Closed Sun. & Mon. info@cantinaannarbor.com, cantinaannarbor.com

The Circ Bar, 210 S. First, 2nd fl. (734) 277-3656. Two bars, plus a seasonal outdoor bar and a rooftop deck with unobstructed sunset views. Weekly karaoke events. Space rentals available. thecircbar.com

Club Above, 215 N. Main. Live music and dancing, country night on Thurs., Latin on Fri., Havana Nights Latin Party on Sat. Bar, stage, dance floor, TVs, and a free pool table. Thurs.-Sat. 9 p.m.-2 a.m. club-above.com

Conor O'Neill's Pub and Restaurant, 318 S. Main. (734) 665-2968. Downtown Irish pub with a patio in the summer and a fireplace in the winter. Live traditional Irish music on Sun. nights and trivia on Thurs. nights. info@conoroneills.com, conoroneills.com

Crazy Wisdom Bookstore, 114 S. Main. (734) 665-9468. This long-established local New Age bookstore hosts periodic live music in its bright, airy upstairs Celestial Lounge, Fri. 7:30 p.m. crazywisdom.net

The Earle, 121 W. Washington. (734) 994-0211. This Italian and French restaurant has live music every night at 7 p.m.; solo piano or guitar Tues.-Thurs., and soft jazz trio Fri. & Sat. downtown@theearle.com, theearle.com

El Limón Supper Club, 2709 Plymouth Rd. (734) 780-7088. Mexican-Mediterranean fusion restaurant features music by local musicians in a variety of genres Mon. & Thurs.

The Habitat Lounge, 3050 Jackson Rd. (Weber's Restaurant). (734) 665-3636. Cocktail bar with live jazz Fri. & Sat. thehabitatannarbor.com

The Last Word, 301 W. Huron St. (734) 585-5691. Cozy, stylish downtown cocktail and whiskey bar features live music Thurs. 9:30 p.m.-12:30 a.m. thelastwordbar.com

LIVE, 102 S. First. (734) 623-1443. High-energy dance club with DJs and two full-service bars. Ages 21+: Fri. & Sat, 9 p.m.-2 a.m. livea2.com

Lo-Fi Bar, 220 S. Main, lower level. (734) 662-4419. Cocktail bar and music venue that features local DJs and bands Fri. & Sat. and karaoke Thurs. info@lofi-annarbor.com, lofiannarbor.com

Mash, 211 E. Washington. (734) 222-4095. Basement lounge and whiskey bar with live music. Thurs.-Sat., open mic Wed., and Sat. acoustic set on patio. mashbar.net

Moonwinks Tavern, 5151 Plymouth Rd. (734) 994-5151. This pleasant bar located next to Moonwinks Café in Dixboro village offers frequent live music from established local acts, as well as karaoke Mon. and occasional open mics. \$10 suggested donation for performers. moonwinksteam@gmail.com, moonwinkscafe2.com/events

Necto, 516 E. Liberty. (734) 994-5835. Formerly the Nectarine, this long-running dance club features three floors with live DJs, an outdoor patio, and VIP lounges (21+) with bottle service. Factory Mondays, Pride Fridays, and Frequency Saturdays. Occasional karaoke events. No food. Space rentals available. Ages 18+. Mon. & Thurs.-Sat. info@necto.com, necto.com

North Star Lounge, 301 N. Fifth Ave. Music venue and vegan bar with theme days Wed.-Sat., monthly open mics, Thurs. LGBTQ+ events, Fri. bluegrass and free happy hour sets, Sat. rotating artists. Free board/card games. Alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks, and the full menu from Detroit Street Filling Station. Some events are ticketed; some have covers. northstarloungea2@gmail.com, nstarlounge.com

Oz's Music Environment, 1920 Packard. (734) 662-8283. Musical instrument store hosts live music, community events, and free, online-only open mics on 1st and 2nd. Tues. at 7:30 p.m. Sign up for open mics at meetup.com/ozs-music-songwriters-open-mic. ozmusic.com, ozmusic.com

Rabbit Hole, 210 S. First, basement. (734) 277-3656. A speakeasy-turned-nightclub in century-old underground vaults. Live music, DJs, and dancing every weekend. Space rentals available Thurs. 8 p.m.-1 a.m., Fri. & Sat., 8 p.m.-2 a.m. rabbitholeannarbor.com

The Ravens Club, 207 S. Main. (734) 214-0400. This bar with scratch-made food and craft cocktails hosts live jazz every Mon., Thurs., and Sun.; check Instagram (@theravensclub) for upcoming performances. theravensclub.com

Rick's American Cafe, 611 Church. (734) 996-2747. Longstanding college bar with DJ & dancing Mon.-Sat. Ages 21+. ricksamericancafe.com

Sam Hill, 5827 Jackson Rd. (877) 325-6439. Bar and restaurant hosts live music and DJs throughout the week, as well as periodic stand-up comedy nights. info@samhilla2.com, samhilla2.com

Uplift Ann Arbor, 210 S. First, ste. 100N. (734) 274-4524. This welcoming LGBTQ+ bar and nightclub features weekly karaoke events, drag performances, live DJs, and Sun. drag brunches. team@upliftannarbor.com, upliftannarbor.com

Venue by 4M, 1919 South Industrial. (734) 800-0128. Expansive, modern coworking and event space with bar, café, and multiple food menus hosts live music Fri. & Sat. and Sun. jazz brunch. Space rentals available. experience4m.com

Zal Gaz Grotto Club, 2070 W. Stadium. (734) 663-1202. Social club and music venue featuring live jazz, Motown, and classic rock, with a dance floor. Hall rental available. Also inside: Cosa Sabrosa serving fresh Mexican food to go. info@zalgaz.org, zalgaz.org



MARK BIALEK

Ann Arbor comedian Ned Rice performs a stand-up set at hear.say brewing + theater (Comedy). The venue hosts comedy shows over the weekend, and live music, games, trivia, and other events throughout the week.



A SANDWICH ARTIST SHARES HIS A2 FAVORITES.

BY ALEX BRADLEY

It's the crowned King of Lunch. The perfect combination of utility and nutrition. Arguably the best handheld invention since we developed thumbs. I speak, of course, of the sandwich.

It's a food so ubiquitous that it has iterations across the globe—some would even welcome a taco or lettuce wrap in the royal court of the sandwich. They're all delicious, but here, I'll limit myself to those served between bread, and in Ann Arbor.

Here, in no particular order, is my list of the Ten Best Sandwiches in Ann Arbor. Disclosure: I'm a dayshift sandwich engineer at one of these places. (You'll have to read on to see which one.)

Ready? Let's bite into it.

Zingerman's Corned Beef Reuben

No list of Ann Arbor sandwiches could ever be complete without a mention of the Zingerman's Reuben. One of the most recognizable businesses in town, Zingerman's has eleven connected Ann Arbor-based affiliates and partners (Bakehouse, Creamery, and Miss Kim's, to name a few) with more than 800 employees, and a signature sandwich that's as close to perfection as it gets.

This corned beef sandwich sets the standard of in-house and locally made assembly. Whole brisket corned beef and Emmental Swiss cheese, both freshly sliced from Zingerman's deli. Sauerkraut from Chelsea's own the Brinery. Hand-cut traditional Jewish rye bread straight from the Bakehouse. Flavors bound together with time-honored techniques, many hands, and a Russian dressing that tastes both familiar and exciting.

"The corned beef in the Reuben is unlike corned beef anywhere else," explains kitchen

manager and sandwich chef Mike Varney. "We use whole brisket corned beef instead of flat and lean cuts to preserve the marblings and texture that give the sandwich its signature flavor."

With great staples like the corned beef Reuben, it's no surprise that Zingerman's Community of Businesses is continuing to grow. "We just renovated the Roadhouse patio with air-conditioning, heat, skylights, and nicer seating," reports cofounder Ari Weinzwieg. The newest member joined the community in August 2025: "Little Kim, a small vegetarian quick-service wing of Miss Kim." **Zingerman's Delicatessen**. 422 Detroit St., (734) 663-3354. zingermansdeli.com

Ricewood Brisket Sandwich

If you're talking about Ann Arbor barbecue, you gotta talk about Ricewood. Founded by brothers Frank Fejeran and Gabe Golub, Ricewood started as a food truck behind Ann Arbor's premier study/meetup/wine-and-lunch space, York. Reflecting Fejeran's heritage on the Pacific island of Guam, they're best known for their rice bowls, but the chopped brisket sandwich is a must-have.

They start with bone-in pork shoulder with a perfect meat-to-fat ratio, smoke it overnight with a salt-and-pepper rub, and top it with barbecue sauce (an obvious choice), but also an Asian-inspired, rice wine vinegar-and-gochujang aioli. Pickled red onion joins the party beneath the roof of a soft brioche bun.

"Barbecue is something that can be done haphazardly," explains Golub, "but to do it

"Barbecue is something that can be done haphazardly," explains Ricewood cofounder Gabe Golub, "but to do it well it takes time, talent, and effort."

well it takes time, talent, and effort. We've got it down to a science, not relying solely on temperature and time, but instinct."

Ricewood. 1928 Packard, (734) 436-4163. 245 N. Maple, (734) 929-5405. ricewoodbbq.com

Frita Batidos Chorizo Frita

Frita Batidos is Ann Arbor's home for Cuban street food-inspired heaven on earth... drawing on West African, North American, Cuban, and Vietnamese cuisines.

The best frita, in my opinion, is the chorizo, but you can also have it with a black bean patty, beef, chicken, or fish. The basic version is topped with shoestring fries and ensconced in a soft egg bun, but you can/should add one of the many available toppings (tropical slaw and fresh jalapeño best complement the chorizo).

While you wait, grab a seat at one of the communal picnic tables and enjoy the back

drop of bright white walls, streaks of sky blue, warm wooden accents, and townie-favorite exposed brick. Maybe play a game of dominoes—there's a set at every table, complete with instructions for beginners. Waiters circulating the restaurant will call out your name when your custom frita, served tall on a banana leaf, is ready.

"The most important thing to us is to nurture people through food, and that includes our community within Frita and extending from it," says chef-owner Eve Aronoff Fernandez. "Cooking, visiting, and eating together ... we aren't trying to do something different for the point of doing something different, but just paying attention to the flavors and texture and making food with care and hoping to make people happy through that."

Frita Batidos. 117 W. Washington, (734) 761-2882. fritabatidos.com



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Jerusalem Garden Falafel Sandwich

Founded in 1987, Jerusalem Garden made a name for itself in Ann Arbor with from-scratch falafel in a market that, at the time, had very little Middle Eastern representation. Today, Jerusalem Garden—described on its website as a “corner of Palestine in the heart of Ann Arbor”—is still a go-to place for people seeking healthy, hearty, and tasty Middle Eastern fare.

“We always want to meet expectations,” says Ali Ramlawi, owner and son of founder Ribhi Ramlawi. “To do that we simply believe in ourselves and create something true with quality ingredients and people.”

The falafel starts with garbanzo beans soaked overnight with parsley, onion, and jalapeño. They shape and fry it, and serve it in a pita wrap with romaine lettuce, tomato, and tahini. To take it to the next level, I recommend adding hummus and fattoush.

It's a meatless powerhouse that dieters, vegetarians, and environmentalists can all enjoy—a fact not lost on Ramlawi. “People who do not eat meat are often challenged to find something that makes them feel satiated,” he says. “This sandwich makes me feel full with energy levels that don't crash.”

Jerusalem Garden. 314 E. Liberty. (734) 995-5060. jerusalemgarden.net

Ginger Deli Vegan Banh Mi

Eating at Ginger Deli inspires the question: can food be art? Their vegan banh mi earns its place on this list not just for its vivid, bright flavors, but also its superb presentation.

This Vietnamese essential dish starts with a perfectly crisp French baguette layered with long, thin strokes of cucumber and splashes of cilantro, carrot, sweet pickled daikon, and sautéed radish. It's topped with house-pressed tofu, deliciously accented with garlic aioli, and if you dine in, placed across a canvas of thin white deli paper on a shallow silver tin.

It would almost be hard to take your eyes off a sandwich this beautiful, were it not for the mural on display in the small Liberty St. shop; it was painted by one of the shop's own staffers. The menu is a work of art too, with pictures of the most popular fare hand-drawn by owner Te Phan.

An automotive designer-turned-classic pianist-turned-sandwich artist, Phan uses from-scratch recipes that have been in his family for years. “The French baguette came to Vietnam when it was a French colony for one hundred years. The Vietnamese made it airy, crispier, and more balanced,” he remarks. “Our dough, which is my uncle's recipe for sixty years, is made fresh daily in our kitchen on Whitmore Lake Rd.”

Ginger Deli. 203 E. Liberty, (734) 786-1331. gingerdeli.com

At Jerusalem Garden, the falafel starts with garbanzo beans soaked overnight with parsley, onion, and jalapeño. To take it to the next level, our writer recommends adding hummus and fattoush.

Spiedo Zhoug Knight

Spiedo, which opened in September 2023, is the newest Ann Arbor addition on this list, but it's not owner Brad Greenhill's first rodeo. He also operates Takoi, a Detroit-based restaurant specializing in high-end Thai food with local ingredients, and he brought this expertise to his latest venture.

The shop and small dining space is the original Jerusalem Garden location, and Greenhill has made it hard to miss: the boxy building pops with shades of minty teal and warm magenta. His menu includes tasty bowls, small plates, and interesting sides, but the Zhoug Knight sandwich tops 'em all. This schawarma-like wrap features *zhoug*, a Yemeni herbal garlic sauce with serrano peppers, cilantro, coriander, cardamom, and lemon that lands more zesty than spicy on the palate. On-site spit-roasted marinated chicken is the star, with pickled onions and shredded cabbage to round out the cast, all of it wrapped up in griddled flatbread. Greenhill describes the ensemble as “savory, herbaceous, and well-balanced with depth of flavor.”

Spiedo. 307 S. Fifth Ave., (734) 548-6969. spiedo2.com

Dimo's Hot Pastrami Sandwich

From the newest on the list to the oldest, Dimo's Deli & Donuts got its start in 1973 as an Amy Joy's Doughnuts franchise that eventually became the Dimo's Deli we love today. The Ann Arbor staple has existed in its current form and location since 1993.

Along with donuts, bagels, Mediterranean fare, and sides by the pound, Dimo's makes an incredible hot pastrami sandwich. The difference here is the fresh-baked rye combined with in-house sliced hot pastrami, Swiss, coleslaw, and Russian dressing that produces flavors that can only come from family recipes and decades of expertise.

Dimo's owner, Walid Dimo, is a bombastic, larger-than-life figure—he once asked me if I had friends and then gave me donuts to share with them. When I ask what he does to stay creative in an ever-changing market, he simply replies, “Nothing. We've been doing the same stuff we did here fifty-three years ago, some of which with the same equipment. Like most things, if you maintain it, take care of it, even though it may cost you an arm and a leg up-front, it'll last you forever.”

Dimo's Deli & Donuts. 2030 W. Stadium, (734) 662-7944. dimosdelianddonuts.com



Buffalo, NY may be the birthplace of the buffalo wing, but Ann Arbor is the birthplace of the Side Biscuit BLT\$.

DiBella's The Godfather

The next spot on the list is also my current employer—but make no mistake, I am biased by sandwich quality alone. DiBella's bread roll is never more than a few hours out of the oven, and the much-studied and perfected recipe is crunchy on the outside and cloud-soft on the inside. It comes in four variations: plain, sesame, multigrain, and the absolutely necessary everything, topped with a combination of chia, poppy, and sesame seeds, plus pretzel and garlic salts.

As far as what goes *on* the bread, the franchise flagship Godfather features a combination of Genoa salami, capicola, and hot ham, a group of meats so spicy, so piquant, so savory, that it's our most popular sandwich. All DiBella's subs are fully customizable with more than twenty toppings and condiments, but a simple lettuce, tomato, and onion build will work just fine, especially when paired with DiBella's famous oil—a take on Italian dressing that complements all flavors perfectly.

"At DiBella's, making the perfect sandwich isn't just what we do, it's who we are," says president Peter Fox. "We are grateful to be part of this amazing community and proud to serve up subs that start with the best rolls in the business."

DiBella's Subs. 904 W. Eisenhower, (734) 997-9011. dibellas.com

Biercamp Backwoods Brisket Sandwich

Like most of the places on this list, Biercamp boasts scratch cooking and in-house recipes. What sets it apart is its wooded backcountry flair, a location close enough to tailgate the stadium—oh, and it's the only place in town where you can order elk, bison, boar, and quail.

"People are more likely to try different types of meats if they are in a form they can recognize like a hot dog," observes owner Walt Hansen.

For those with a less adventurous palate, the best pick on the menu is certainly the Backwoods Brisket Sandwich. The crown jewel of their sandwich menu, it's a sweet and savory mix of barbecue, pickled onions, coleslaw, sweet jalapeño, and mustard, all on a toasted brioche bun. Its generous portion size means it's served nearly open, so before digging in, you might want to grab a fork for backup.

Funny story: Biercamp was originally intended as a jerky shop, and

only started serving sandwiches after over-ordering pulled pork.

Biercamp. 1643 S. State, (734) 995-2437. biercamp.com

Side Biscuit The BLT\$

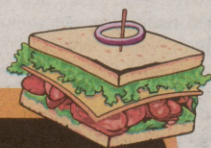
It's hard to remember a time when chicken wings weren't a major force in the American dining experience. Like spinning straw into gold, innovative chefs elevated the undesirable, and therefore inexpensive, part of the chicken with the addition of herbs, spices, and ingenuity (and maybe a pinch of marketing). There are few that know this better than Side Biscuit's owner Jordan Balduf, himself a native of the birthplace of the buffalo wing. (Buffalo, NY, in case you were wondering.)

Thanks to Balduf, Ann Arbor is the birthplace of the BLT\$—open-face and ready for its closeup with a Costanzo's bread roll, provolone, Nueske's bacon, Kewpie mayo, lettuce, lemon pepper seasoning, and fried chicken tenders that are as crunchy on the outside as they are juicy on the inside. It's a sandwich constructed with many hands and minds. "Part of our success is due to the culture of collaboration, not competition," says Balduf. "We share staff, ideas, resources, and clientele."

And come this fall, they'll be sharing space with Mothfire Brewing. Side Biscuit is expanding its brand with a new food truck parked outside the W. Ellsworth taproom. They're calling it, aptly enough, WestSide Biscuit.

Side Biscuit. 1232 Packard, (734) 531-6777. sidebiscuit.com

Ann Arbor's dining scene is a hub of cultural exchange, collaboration, and presentation, and nothing embodies that like the sandwich. It's a culinary collage. A mosaic of elements and flavors with culture and appetite as its muses. Am I waxing poetic? Forgive me, after writing about so many fine sammies, I'm hungry.



Got a favorite sandwich you think should have made the list? Share it in the online comments! annarborobserver.com/handhelds



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CITY PARKS & NATURE AREAS

Ann Arbor has so many parks—162 in all!—that we simply can't list them all here. There are so many parks that Ann Arbor Parks & Rec has a Visit Every Park Challenge, with prizes for every twenty-five parks you check off your list. (See Feature, p. 9. And if this sounds like your idea of a good time, go to a2gov.org and search for Visit Every Park.)

So while we can't list them all, here are our must-see parks, along with their amenities, organized by area of the city. For an indexed map of all 162 Ann Arbor parks, see the City of Ann Arbor Park Finder at www2.a2gov.org/GIS/MapAnnArbor/ParkFinder.

Smoking is banned in all Ann Arbor city parks with the exception of Cobblestone Farm and Huron Hills and Leslie Park golf courses. Because of chemical contamination, the Michigan DNR warns anglers not to eat fish from the Huron River, as well as most bodies of water in Washtenaw County. For more information, see the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services' Eat Safe Fish Guide, bit.ly/mdhhsfish. For dog parks, see *Pets & Wildlife*, p. 87.

City of Ann Arbor Parks & Recreation, 2781 Packard (Cobblestone Farm). (734) 794-6230. Manages nearly 2,100 acres of parkland and 15 recreation facilities, including pools and a canoe livery. Call to reserve pavilions or to hold special events in city parks. Register for classes, camps, and programs at a2gov.org/parksregister. Scholarships and discounted passes to pools, rinks, and classes are available for city residents who qualify. a2parks@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/parks

Border to Border Trail (B2B). This 42-mile, ADA-accessible, paved pathway consists of 6 trails connecting parks throughout Washtenaw County, from Stockbridge in the west to Ypsilanti in the east. The Ann Arbor Corridor of the B2B consists of 5.6 miles of flat, paved paths, suitable for walking, running, or biking, which follow the Huron River through a number of parks. There is access to 2 canoe/kayak liveries at Gallup Park and Argo Park. b2btrail.org

NORTH SIDE

Argo Park & Nature Area, 750 Longshore. This long, 22-acre park and recreation area contains walking/biking trails and paths connecting it to other parks along the river, including Fuller, Gallup, Bandemer, and the B2B Trail. There are shelters and grills for picnics, as well as a fishing dock. It is also home to the **Argo Canoe Livery**, with rentable canoes, kayaks, and rafts, and is an access point for the **Argo Cascades**, a series of 9 narrow drops and pools that carry paddlers and tubers from Argo Pond down to the main river just upstream of the Broadway bridges.

Bandemer Park, 1300 Lake Shore Dr. This 38-acre nature area is popular for its 9-hole disc golf course, dirt bike jump course, art installations, and views of Argo Pond. The pond is circled by a trail connecting Bandemer Park with Argo Park to the east. There are picnic shelters, grills, and a rentable fire pit (permit required). The south side of the park is home to the Ann Arbor Rowing Club (see Groups & Clubs, p. 78). The B2B Trail runs from Bandemer to Argo Dam.

Barton Nature Area, 1010 W. Huron River Dr. This scenic, 98-acre, low-lying park on the Huron River boasts 3.4 miles of unpaved trails through several different ecosystems, including prairie, emergent marshland, wet meadows, and former farmlands, and is home to the century-old Barton Dam. There is a boat launch, a number of fishing spots, and a picnic area. *Note: Due to construction, most trails will be closed until June 2027.*

Bird Hills Nature Area, 1850 Newport. At 146 acres, this is the city's largest nature area, a favorite of hikers for its unpaved wooded trails through steep hills and ravines. The trails connect to the 31-acre **Kuebler Langford Nature Area** and the 7.7-acre **Hilltop Nature Area**, with spectacular views of the Huron River Valley. *Note: In order to protect this un-*

developed area and its rare plant species from erosion, biking is strictly prohibited.

Broadway Park West, 841 Broadway. With a projected grand opening of September 2025, Ann Arbor's newest park covers 7 acres along the Huron River, the formerly blighted site of a Michigan Consolidated Gas Company coal facility in the early 20th century. It features a footbridge connecting the park to the Argo Cascades and the B2B Trail, a large manicured green space, and a variety of hiking and biking trails. Future development will include an outdoor stage and a splash pad. lowertowna2.org/broadway-park-west

Leslie Park, 2900 Leslie Park Cir. This 38-acre park off Dhu Varren includes 2 playgrounds, a tennis court, 6 dedicated pickleball courts, open athletic fields, baseball/softball fields, a sledding hill overlooking **Leslie Park Golf Course** (2120 Traver, leslieparkgolf.com), and picnic areas. The basketball court features a bicentennial-themed mural designed by local artists Amanda Humphrey and Joe Trumpey and chosen by residents. Trails connect to the secluded **Black Pond Woods Nature Area**, which offers both unpaved trails and raised wooden walkways winding through woods of oak, hickory, maple, and dogwood.

Olson Park, 1505 Dhu Varren. This 54-acre park honors former Ann Arbor parks director Ron Olson, who went on to head Michigan's state parks system. Transformed from a gravel pit, it includes wetlands, woods, Traver Creek, and Traver Pond. There is a half-mile paved path surrounding Traver Pond, as well as a basketball court, rock-climbing playground, rain garden, dog park, soccer fields, a playground, picnic shelter, and mountain bike trails.

CENTRAL

Burns Park, 1300 Baldwin. Named for U-M botany professor George Burns, this 125-year-old, 15-acre neighborhood park is bordered by shady trees which follow the course of an old horse racetrack. It boasts a wide variety of amenities and athletic fields, including picnic tables, restrooms, a playground, a baseball field, a basketball court, football and soccer fields, tennis and pickleball courts, a pétanque court, 2 rain gardens, and sledding in the winter.

Fuller Park, 1519 Fuller. (734) 794-6236. This 60-acre park and recreation area across the river from U-M Hospital bustles with people enjoying its large playground, wooded trails, and athletic fields. **Fuller Park Pool** features an outdoor 50-meter pool with waterslide, open May–Sept., and includes a variety of community programs including swim lessons and water polo clinics. Pool fees: \$6/adult; youth & seniors, \$5; kids under 3, free with an adult. Multipassages available.



Patrick Reid Klein practices a hook shot at the Allmendinger Park basketball court (West Side).



A blue heron and a drummer share a moment on the West Park boardwalk (Central). The park is also home to two “Champion Trees,” a bur oak and a red oak, the largest of their species in Ann Arbor.

Hunt Park, 1035 Daniel. Located atop a glacial hill at the north end of Spring St., this 7-acre neighborhood park offers a panorama of downtown, as well as basketball and tennis courts, baseball/softball fields, a play area, and picnic shelters with grills. In the winter, it's popular among sledders and cross-country skiers.

West Park, 215 Chapin. Located on 27 acres just west of downtown, the natural features of this large, open park include wetlands, a pond, and 2 “Champion Trees,” a bur oak and a red oak, which are the largest of their species in the city. Manmade features include a historic bandshell (currently closed), athletic fields, a basketball court, a baseball/softball field, tennis courts, picnic tables, a playground, and community gardens maintained by Project Grow.

Wurster Park, 525 W. Madison. This small, vibrant hilltop park on the Old West Side features a partial view of the city skyline, as well as a playground, sand volleyball court, and small soccer field. There are many warm, grassy areas to relax, observe nature, or enjoy a picnic. Lining the paths of the park are huge oak trees, including 2 “Champion Trees,” a black oak and a chinkapin oak, which are the largest trees of their species in the city; the chinkapin oak is the largest in the state of Michigan.

SOUTH SIDE

Bicentennial Park, 2901 E. Ellsworth. Formerly Southeast Area Park, this 23-acre park was renamed in 2023 in honor of Ann Arbor's 2024 bicentennial. It offers 2 playgrounds, lighted softball/baseball fields, athletic fields, a basketball court (which features a bicentennial-themed mural designed by local artists Amanda Humphrey and Joe Trumpey and chosen by residents), and picnic areas. A paved, multiuse pathway, just over a half-mile long, loops around the perimeter.

Buhr Park, 2751 Packard. (734) 794-6234. This expansive, 39-acre park next to the city's **Cobblestone Farm** features paved walking paths, a playground, softball fields, tennis courts, an outdoor pool where swim lessons are offered, a covered outdoor ice rink that hosts roller derby in the summer, a gaga ball pit (similar to dodgeball, but lower impact), and a sledding hill in the winter. a2gov.org/buhr

Huron Hills Golf Course, 3465 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 794-6246. This 18-hole, par-67 public course, established in 1922, is open seasonally and features picnic tables, a pro shop, and a beautiful view of the Huron River. Season passes available. huronhills golf.com

Island Park, 1420 Island Dr. This small island on the Huron River features outdoor tables, a playground, boat landing, and a stunning Greek Revival picnic shelter. Trails connect to **Riverside Park** (a picturesque stretch of shoreline on a shallow portion of river suitable for fly-fishing) and Fuller Park. In the woods at the back of the park, a dirt road-turned-walking path ascends to the **Cedar Bend Nature Area**, a high, forested slope (also accessible from Broadway via Cedar Bend Dr.) whose view of the city's skyline is partially obscured by oaks and hickories.

Pittsfield Preserve, Thomas Rd. and Marton Rd., between Morgan and Textile. (734) 822-2120. Main-

tained by Pittsfield Twp., this 535-acre preserve straddles the Huron River and the Saline River watersheds, featuring more than 4 miles of nature trails, a buttonbush swamp, and numerous wetlands (including a great blue heron colony of over 40 nests), mature woods, and meadows.

EAST SIDE

County Farm Park, 2230 Platt. (734) 971-6337. 127 acres of lush fields and forest lowlands, home to rabbits, woodchucks, pheasant, and numerous songbird species. Features native flowers and grasses and hundreds of species of trees. Perennial garden with sensory opportunities, community vegetable and flower gardens maintained by Project Grow, a large modern playground, picnic pavilions, and 3 loop trails; the longest is 1.4 miles and features 18 exercise stations.

Gallup Park, 3000 Fuller. (734) 794-6240. The city's most popular park, this 69-acre recreation area and important connector on the B2B Trail boasts 3 playgrounds (including one universal access, inclusive of children with disabilities), many picnic areas and rentable pavilions with grills, rain gardens, a fishing pier, and a livery with canoe, kayak, and paddleboat rentals. More than 3 miles of trails and arched footbridges join a series of small islands, and a pedestrian walkway connects to the **Furstenberg Nature Area**. The most ecologically diverse park in Ann Arbor, it contains several rare species of flora native to wetlands, woodlands, prairie, and oak savanna.

Mary Beth Doyle Park, 3500 Birch Hollow. Named for a prominent Michigan environmental activist who passed away in 2004, this sprawling, 85-acre park boasts picnic tables, a basketball court, playground, a variety of paved and unpaved trails, and an 18-hole disc golf course. A wetland preserve with native flowers, formed by an unusual dam-and-channel system that diverts Malletts Creek, affords opportunities for wildlife viewing year-round. Some trails are very wet and muddy during parts of the year.

Parker Mill County Park, 4650 Geddes. (734) 971-6337. This 45-acre wooded park features a historic grist mill, which is operable and contains original milling machinery left inside the mill when the Parker family ceased operation in 1958, as well as a 150-year-old cider mill which is no longer operational. Paved and shaded trails are perfect for walking, jogging, rollerblading, and biking. There are 2 fishing access points, one on Fleming Creek and the other on the Huron River. Accessible only through the park is **Forest Nature Area**, a wet forest of black maples, hackberries, and rock elms traversed by a boardwalk trail with interpretive signs. A newer branch of the B2B Trail connects the park to the **Matthaei Botanical Gardens**, providing nonmotorized access to its conservatory, gardens, and pathways. washtenaw.org/602/parker-mill-county-park

WEST SIDE

Allmendinger Park, 655 Pauline. This 8-acre neighborhood park just southwest of downtown Ann Arbor features a mix of wide, flat open spaces and shady

oak woods. Amenities include softball fields, picnic tables, open spaces for soccer or football, a tennis/pickleball court, and a basketball court. The playground, with its classic merry-go-round, is a popular kids birthday spot.

Veterans Memorial Park, 2150 Jackson Ave. (734) 794-6235. One of the busiest recreation areas in Ann Arbor, this 37-acre park hosts 5 baseball/softball fields, paved walking/biking paths, picnic areas, sledding hill, and the busy **Ann Arbor Skatepark** (a2skatepark.org) open daily 6 a.m.–10 p.m. The tennis courts can also be used for pickleball, but visitors need to bring their own net (contact the Ann Arbor District Library for net rental information, 734-327-4200). **Veterans Memorial Pool and Ice Arena** features a pool in the summer and an ice rink in the winter. Pool fees: \$6/adult; youth & seniors, \$5; kids under 3, free with an adult. Multipasses available.

AREA FISHING

At the 4-acre **Spring Pond** at **Rolling Hills County Park** (734-484-9676, washtenaw.org/rolling-hills-county-park), visitors may fish from the bank or 2 ADA-accessible fishing piers (catch and release only). At **Spring Valley Trout Farm** (12190 Island Lake Rd., Dexter; 734-426-4772; springvalleytroutfarm.com), you can catch your own farm-raised catfish or rainbow trout; all equipment is provided, no license is required; fish cleaned, iced, and packaged, or you can cook it on-site (grills provided); group outings available. Numerous **small lakes**, many only a short drive away, offer good fishing; call the Huron-Clinton Metroparks (810-227-2757), the Waterloo State Recreation Area (734-475-8307), or the Pinckney State Recreation Area (734-426-4913). The Michigan Fishing Hotline (855-777-0908) has fishing and lake information for the entire state. **Because of chemical contamination, the Michigan DNR warns anglers not to eat fish from the Huron River.**

U-M NATURE AREAS

Matthaei Botanical Gardens, 1800 N. Dixboro Rd. (734) 647-7600. A large conservatory hosts a tropical plants room with orchids and bromeliads; a central greenhouse with plants of warm-temperate climates; exhibits featuring bonsai and insectivorous plants; and a desert house with cacti and other desert plants. A range of outdoor gardens include a formal Japanese bonsai garden, children's garden, and native plants garden. The surrounding 350 acres feature over 8 miles of walking trails through a variety of ecosystems. Outdoor gardens and trails open daily year-round, sunrise–sunset. Summer hours (Memorial Day–Labor Day): Mon.–Sat. 10 a.m.–8 p.m., Sun. 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Conservatory closed on Mon. Winter hours (Labor Day–Memorial Day): Tues. 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m., Wed. 10 a.m.–8 p.m., Thurs.–Sun. 10 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Free admission to grounds and conservatory. Parking is free for MBGNA members, \$2.20/hour, 8 a.m.–8 p.m.; \$6 max per day for others. mbgna.umich.edu/matthaei-botanical-gardens

Nichols Arboretum, 1610 Washington Hts. (734) 647-7600. One of Ann Arbor's most popular outdoor areas for more than 100 years, this preserve occupies 123 acres of land on the Huron River. The forests and prairie grasslands of "the Arb" feature long, winding trails and plant species from all over the world, plus a peony garden which blooms each year in early June and has over 10,000 flowers at peak. Also in early June, U-M's "Shakespeare in the Arb" is performed in locations throughout (see Entertainment, p. 65). Free and open daily sunrise–sunset. Three entrances on Geddes, Washington Hts., and Nichols. The Visitor Center is open daily mid-May–Labor Day, and Sat. & Sun. Labor Day–Thanksgiving. Trail map and visitor guide available online. Parking is available in the U-M blue lot M28 after 5 p.m.; in the U-M Hospital P2 parking structure; and on the street, though limited. mbgna.umich.edu/nichols-arboretum

Saginaw Forest, 3900 W. Liberty. (734) 764-9316. This 80-acre wood surrounding Third Sister Lake, a field research site for U-M's School for Environment and Sustainability, consists of several forest plantations dating back to 1904. Use of the lake is not permitted, but the path around it is a favorite for walking leashed dogs, jogging, and cross-country skiing. Open to the public dawn to dusk; parking available at 2142 Church on Wagner. Visitors use this property at their own risk and must adhere to posted rules. *Note: Due to construction, some areas may be blocked off until September 2025.* seas.umich.edu/about/field-properties/saginaw-forest

REGIONAL & STATE PARKS

Huron-Clinton Metroparks. (810) 227-2757. Nearby Metroparks include Delhi (3902 E. Delhi), a handy spot for paddlers to access the river; Dexter-

Huron (6535 Huron River Dr.), a wooded 123-acre area along the B2B Trail; and Hudson Mills (8801 North Territorial), with 1,549 acres including golf, disc golf, river access, and trails for biking, hiking, and cross-country skiing. Year-round calendar of events on website. Metropark vehicle entrance fees: \$10/day, \$45/year. (\$29/year for age 62+). metroparks.com

Independence Lake County Park, 3200 Jennings, Whitmore Lake. (734) 449-4437. This 446-acre county park features swimming, boating, disc golf, picnicking, playgrounds, fishing, hiking, biking, rollerblading, and sand volleyball. Kayaks for rent and a launch site for canoes, kayaks, and motorized boats with ten or less horsepower. A variety of programs and events are offered throughout the year, including nature programming, disc golf tournaments, and yoga. **Blue Heron Bay Spray Park**, open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, includes water play structures, geysers, jets, and slides. Snack bar at the beach center and concessions at Blue Heron Bay operate 11 a.m.–6 p.m. Blue Heron Bay admission: \$4 for Washtenaw County residents, \$5 for nonresidents. Vehicle park entrance fees: county residents \$6/day, seniors (age 62+) \$3, nonresidents \$10, nonresident seniors \$6. Resident annual fee \$30/year, nonresident \$45. washtenaw.org/424/independence-lake-park

Pinckney State Recreation Area, 8555 Silver Hill, Pinckney (headquarters). (734) 426-4913. Campground reservations: (800) 447-2757. This over 11,000-acre park north of Chelsea is made up of 3 main sections: Silver Lake and Halfmoon Lake day use areas, and Bruin Lake Modern Campground. Has many lakes for swimming, boating, canoeing, and fishing (avoid-foam and do-not-eat fish consumption advisories are in effect for the Portage Lake chain of lakes and Huron River); modern and rustic campgrounds; hunting in season; and 40+ miles of trails for hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, cross-country skiing, and birding. Halfmoon Lake open Apr. 1–Nov. 1. No alcoholic beverages allowed in the park Apr. 1–Sept. 30. Recreation Passport required: state residents \$14/year with license plate renewal, or \$19/year at park gate; motorcycles \$7 with license plate renewal, \$12/year at park gate; nonresidents \$11/day, \$40/year. michigan.gov/pinckney

Rolling Hills County Park, 7660 Stony Creek Rd., Ypsi. (734) 484-9676. This 439-acre county park is best known for its water park, open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, which features a lazy river, wave pool, water slides, and a zero-depth entry activity pool, perfect for those under 45 inches tall. The park also features fields, woodlots, wetlands, a pond, a restored prairie with opportunities for bird and wildlife observation, and paved and soft trails for walking, biking, and in-line skating. Two disc golf courses and a fishing pond are also on site, along with a sledding hill and cross-country skiing opportunities in the winter months. Vehicle entrance fees: county residents \$6/day (\$3 for age 62+), \$30/year; nonresidents \$10/day (\$6 for age 62+), \$45/year. Additional fees for Rolling Hills Water Park. washtenaw.org/607/rolling-hills-county-park

Staebler Farm County Park, 7734 Plymouth Rd. (734) 926-0060. This 98-acre park and former farmstead in Superior Twp. features groomed hiking trails, mature woodlots and wetlands, and historic buildings. It is also the home of **Michigan Folk School** (mifolkschool.com) which offers classes in traditional arts and crafts including blacksmithing, stained-glass design, leather working, and food crafting. Many classes take place in Blackbird Lodge, recently recognized statewide for its architectural design. washtenaw.org/701/staebler-farm-county-park

Waterloo State Recreation Area. (734) 475-8307. Campground reservations: (800) 447-2757. At 20,500 acres, this state park is the largest in the Lower Peninsula and is great for birding, boating, cross-country skiing, fishing, hunting, hiking, swimming, mountain biking, and camping. It has 11 lakes, numerous trails, a visitor center, and modern, rustic, backpack-only, and equestrian campgrounds. Track chair available, allowing users to explore areas of the parks where traditional wheelchairs might not work. **Horse-N Around Stables** (734-637-4457, texting recommended; 12891 Trist Rd., Grass Lake) offers trail rides in the park. The **Eddy Discovery Center** (734-475-3170, 17030 Bush, Chelsea) has hands-on exhibits, natural history programs, park information, and displays of local ecology, wildlife, and Michigan rocks and minerals. Discovery Center hours: Memorial Day–Labor Day, Mon.–Sat. 10 a.m.–5 p.m, Sun. noon–5 p.m., with reduced hours during the rest of the year. (*Note: closed for renovations until spring 2026.*) Recreation Passport required: state residents \$14/year with license plate renewal, \$19/year at park gate; motorcycles \$7 with license plate renewal, \$12/year at park gate; nonresidents \$11/day, \$40/year. michigan.gov/waterloo



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Government & Transit

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CITY ELECTIONS

Ann Arbor holds **city and school board elections** concurrently with federal, state, and county elections on the Tuesday following the first Monday in August and November in even-numbered years. Polls are open 7 a.m.–8 p.m. Early voting is available up to 9 days in advance during even-year elections, starting the 2nd Saturday before Election Day, at City Hall, the Malletts Creek, Traverwood, and Westgate libraries, and at UMMA and Duderstadt Center during the school year. In special elections, early voting is available for 5 consecutive days, starting the Wednesday before Election Day, at City Hall and the Malletts Creek, Traverwood, and Westgate libraries (see a2gov.org/early-voting). A valid photo ID or signed affidavit is required.

You can **register to vote** in person at the Ann Arbor City Clerk's Office, Washtenaw County Clerk's Office, or at a Secretary of State branch



office (295 N. Maple and 4675 Washtenaw Ave.); by mail, email, or fax; or online at mvic.sos.state.mi.us/register/voter. You must be 18 years old by election day, a U.S. citizen, a resident in your city or township for at least 30 days before election day, and not incarcerated. To apply to vote absentee, including joining the new automatic ballot list, see a2gov.org/elections (click Absentee Voting). In the two weeks before the election, you must register to vote in person at your city or township clerk's office.

Election inspectors are paid \$18+/hour. To learn more and apply, go to a2gov.org and search for Election Inspectors.

To select candidates, each major party has a **primary** on the day after the first Monday in August. For more information, contact the county headquarters of the Democratic Party (734-879-0556, washtenawdems.org) or the Republican Party (734-996-9467, washtenaw-republicans.org).

See *Advocacy & Politics in Groups & Clubs* (p. 78) for political parties and other groups active in local government.

CITY HALL

The **Guy C. Larcom Jr. City Hall** is located at 301 E. Huron St. It shares its address with the **Ann Arbor Justice Center** next door.

Services located at **Larcom City Hall** include: (1st fl.) Customer Service Center, Community Services, Planning, and Parks & Recreation; (2nd fl.) Clerk's Office and Council Chambers; (3rd fl.) City Administrator, City Attorney, Mayor, and Communications Office; (4th fl.) Engineering and Systems Planning; (5th fl.) Assessor, Treasurer, Sustainability & Innovations, and Finance; (6th fl.) Human Resources and Public Services Administration. The **Justice Center** houses the 15th Judicial District Court (1st fl.) and Ann Arbor Police Department (2nd and 3rd fl.).

Ann Arbor's City Hall (right) and Justice Center (left), share an address but not an entrance. Because the Justice Center is home to the 15th Judicial Court (Court System), visitors enter through a security checkpoint.

For general information, see a2gov.org, or call the Customer Service Center at (734) 794-6000 (weekdays 7:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.).

City Council & Mayor

For information about the Ann Arbor City Council and issues currently before it, see a2gov.org/agenda, or call the Ann Arbor city clerk at (734) 794-6140. If you want to see changes made to any city law, rule, or procedure, call your council representatives. a2gov.org/city-council

City council adopts the city's annual budget and determines city laws and policies. It has 11 members: 2 from each of the city's 5 wards, plus the mayor. Ward representatives are paid \$29,869.54/year, and the mayor is paid \$54,947.03. Councilmembers are elected to staggered 4-year terms: 1 seat in each ward is filled in a partisan election every even-year November. Ann Arbor has not elected a Republican officeholder since 2003, so **the Democratic primary** (see City Elections) almost always decides the council's membership.

Regular **city council meetings** are held the 1st & 3rd Mon. at 7 p.m. in the council chambers, 2nd fl. of Larcom City Hall. Agendas for council meetings and notices of public hearings are posted at a2gov.legistar.com/calendar. Special and working sessions, open to the public, are conducted as needed; notice is posted in Larcom City Hall and at the link above. Council and many other city meetings are broadcast live on the city's Community Television Network and streamed and archived at a2gov.org/ctn.

Registered users of the city's eComment tool can submit public comments as late as 4 p.m. on the day of the meeting. For more information, go to a2gov.org and search for City Council Meetings.

The **mayor**, elected in a partisan election every 4 years, presides over city council and is a voting member; leads council in setting policy and approving the budget; nominates members of boards and commissions, subject to confirmation by city council; has the power to veto most council actions; has certain police powers in emergencies; and acts as ceremonial head of the city.

Administrator's Office

City Administrator, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 3rd fl. (734) 794-6110, ext. 41102. The city administrator, Milton Dohoney Jr., provides direction to city departments and services, gives updates to city council before meetings, enacts city council policy, implements financial planning objectives, and serves as a community and governmental ambassador. mdohoney@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/city-administrator

City Clerk, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 2nd fl. (734) 794-6140. City clerk Jacqueline Beaudry keeps a public record of all city council proceedings, administers city elections, and serves as the official custodian of the city seal and city documents. Many documents and records are available online. Office open Mon.–Fri. 8 a.m.–5 p.m., excluding holidays. cityclerk@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/clerk

Communications Office, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 3rd fl. (734) 794-6152. Communications director Lisa Wondrash oversees all aspects of the city's communications, including media relations, employee communications, social media, website content, and the **Community Television Network** (734-794-6150; 2805 South Industrial, ste. 200). Supported by cable franchise fees, CTN produces local programming (available on cable TV and for free online). Submit a program, promote an

Ann Arbor City Council

Mayor

Christopher Taylor (D). (734) 794-6161. Term expires Nov. 2026. ctaylor@a2gov.org

Ward 1

Lisa Disch (D). (734) 369-3571. Term expires Nov. 2028. ldisch@a2gov.org

Cynthia Harrison (D). (734) 386-1221. Term expires Nov. 2026. charrison@a2gov.org

Ward 2

Jon Mallek (D). (734) 418-8143. Term expires Nov. 2028. jmallek@a2gov.org

Chris Watson (D). (734) 436-1504. Term expires Nov. 2026. cwatson@a2gov.org

Ward 3

Ayesha Ghazi Edwin (D). (734) 726-0161. Term expires Nov. 2026. aghaziedwin@a2gov.org

Travis Radina (D). (734) 219-6551. Term expires Nov. 2028. tradina@a2gov.org

Ward 4

Dharma Akmon (D). (734) 492-5866. Term expires Nov. 2026. dakmon@a2gov.org

Jen Eyer (D). (734) 210-0765. Term expires Nov. 2028. jejer@a2gov.org

Ward 5

Erica Briggs (D). (734) 355-3931. Term expires Nov. 2028. ebiggs@a2gov.org

Jen Cornell (D). (734) 765-0174. Term expires Nov. 2026. jcornell@a2gov.org

event, take a free video production class, or rent video equipment at a2gov.org/ctn.lwondrash@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/communications

Human Resources, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 6th fl. (734) 794-6120. Responsible for recruitment, hiring, training, and employee relations, compensation, and benefits. Open positions are posted online. a2gov.org/human-resources

Attorney

301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 3rd fl. (734) 794-6170. City attorney Atleen Kaur and her staff provide legal advice to the city council and city officials; prepare legal documents; represent the city and its officials in lawsuits and labor matters; and prosecute violations of city ordinances. The city attorney does not provide legal advice to citizens. akaur@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/city-attorney

City Boards & Commissions

The city has 53 citizen boards, commissions, and committees. For a full list with descrip-

tions, vacancies, and an application form, call the mayor's office at (734) 794-6161 or go to a2gov.org and search for Boards and Commissions.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Ann Arbor Farmers Market, 315 Detroit St. (734) 794-6255. This 106-year-old open-air market in the Kerrytown district has 125 vendors selling local vegetables, fruit, mushrooms, herbs, plants, flowers, pastured meat and poultry, fish, eggs, cheese, honey, jam, maple syrup, coffee, pickles, bread, baked goods, specialty foods, artisan products, and more. Open year-round, May-Dec., Wed. & Sat. 7 a.m.-3 p.m.; Jan.-Apr., Sat. 8 a.m.-3 p.m. a2gov.org/market

Natural Area Preservation, 3875 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 794-6627. Works with individuals, organizations, and community groups to protect Ann Arbor's natural areas through ecological monitoring, restoration, and stewardship activities. nap@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/nap

Parks & Recreation, 2781 Packard (Cobblestone Farm; customer service office). (734) 794-6230. This unit, managed by Josh Landefeld, plans and manages city parks, swimming pools, golf courses, canoe liveries, ice rinks, natural area preservation, park shelter reservations, community centers and other facilities, and registration for programs and activities. a2parks@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/parks

Planning, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 1st fl. (734) 794-6267. Administers and enforces land development ordinances, coordinates site plan review, prepares the comprehensive plan in collaboration with the planning commission, enforces building codes and ordinances, inspects rental property, coordinates activities of the planning and historic district commissions and city appeal boards, and issues various permits and licenses.

The City of Ann Arbor uses STREAM as its online permitting system. To apply for a permit or pay an invoice, go to stream.a2gov.org.

Planning, (734) 794-6265. This unit, headed by planning manager Brett Lenart, serves as the staff for the planning commission and historic district commission. Development proposals currently under review can be found at a2gov.org/planning, and zoning information at a2gov.org/zoning.

Construction inspections/building, (734) 794-6263. Reviews plans for proposed construction, enforces state building codes, and inspects all

permitted construction within the city. **Building permits** are required for all new construction, alterations, additions, decks and fences, and almost all repairs. Fees are based on the cost and scope of the project. a2gov.org (search for Building Permits)

The **Permit desk**, (734) 794-6267. Issues permits for sidewalk occupancy, barricades, street closings, races, parades, rallies, and other events; issues permits to work in the public right-of-way; conducts exams and issues licenses for sewer installers; and administers licenses for peddlers and solicitors, including charitable organizations.

Rental housing, (734) 794-6000, ext. 42669. Managed by Lisha Turner-Tolbert, this unit registers and inspects all rental properties approximately every 30 months. Tenants may request additional inspections for specific problems. lturmertolbert@a2gov.org

FINANCIAL & ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES

Accounting: A2OpenBook, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 5th fl. (734) 794-6500, ext. 45204. This division of the finance unit oversees the city's accounting, auditing, payroll, and grant services, and provides citizens with clear information on the city's financial condition. Budget information is online at A2OpenBook: a2gov.org (search for A2OpenBook)

Assessor, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 5th fl. (734) 794-6530. Determines the assessed and taxable value of all property for property tax purposes. Assessment and ownership records are online at a2gov.org (search for Assessor)

Property owners who disagree with their assessments may appeal to a city council-appointed board of review. This three-member board may also grant a **poverty exemption**, which must be renewed annually, to homeowners who meet specific income levels and other requirements.

Financial and Administrative Services, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 5th fl. (734) 794-6500. Chief financial officer Marti Prashan and her staff are responsible for coordinating budget development, strategic planning, city bonding, and economic development, and providing analytical support for other service areas. a2gov.org/finance-admin-services

City Treasurer, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 1st fl. (734) 994-2833. Treasurer Mike Pettigrew is responsible for customer service, risk management, parking referees, banking, and management of the city's debt and investment portfolios. **Bills for summer and winter property taxes, parking fines, utilities, and invoices** may be paid at the customer service center and at dropboxes inside and outside Larcom City Hall. **Property taxes** may also be paid at some Bank of Ann Arbor locations or online at a2gov.org/taxpayment. Property taxes are billed twice a year, in July and Dec. a2gov.org (search for Treasury)

PUBLIC SERVICES

Communications System-Signs & Signals, 4251 Stone School Rd. (W.R. Wheeler Service Center). (734) 794-6350. Maintains all City of Ann Arbor traffic signals, traffic signs, city-owned street lights, street name signs, city-owned radios, civil defense sirens, and citywide fiber-optic network.

Report damaged/missing street signs, broken signals, or streetlight outages by calling Customer Service at (734) 794-6320, using the Report a Problem link at a2gov.org/a2fixit, or via the A2 Fix It mobile app.

Customer Service Center, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 1st fl. (734) 794-6320. Walk-ins: Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m., except city holidays. Assistance by phone or email: Mon.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., except city holidays. Handles information requests about engineering, street maintenance, water utilities, traffic control, parking, right-of-way permits, and payments for water, parking tickets, property taxes, and solid waste. customerservice@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/customer-service

View your water bills and usage data online by going to a2gov.org and searching for Water Services.

Engineering, 301 E. Huron St. (Larcom City Hall), 4th fl. (734) 794-6410, ext. 43672. Designs and constructs utility, roadway, and sidewalk projects (including road resurfacing, sidewalk repair, and bridge maintenance); coordinates and inspects utility/public roadway works; and optimizes traffic flow through the city. a2gov.org/engineering

Public Art Commission, 301 E. Huron St., 6th fl. (734) 794-6310. Promotes public art, provides required recommendations for proposals on municipal property, and

Trash, Recycling, & Compost

Ann Arbor's **Solid Waste Unit** (a2gov.org/solidwaste) coordinates recycling, compost, and trash collection.

Residential trash and compost collection provided weekly by the City of Ann Arbor. Curbside compost collection of carts, paper yard bags, and bundled branches occurs weekly during the spring, summer, and fall. One free compost cart is available for each single-family residential property; additional ones available for a fee. To request a cart, call (734) 994-7336 or email customerservice@a2gov.org.

Residential recycling collection provided weekly by Recycle Ann Arbor (734-662-6288, recycleannarbor.org).

- Trash, recycling, and compost carts must be out before 7 a.m. on collection days.
- Carts must be 3 feet apart, lids fully closed, with no trash/debris on or around them.
- Carts must be placed in the street (or, in the case of bike lanes or busy streets, on lawn extension or buffer) with handles facing away from the street.
- Those needing assistance with placing carts at the curb should call the Customer Service Center at (734) 794-7336.

Go to a2gov.org/solidwaste for lists of acceptable trash, recycling, and compost items, and how to set out material properly. Report missed collections via a2gov.org/a2fixit or the A2 Fix It mobile app.

Commercial trash collection is provided under an exclusive franchise agreement with WM. To ask a question or report a missed pickup, contact WM at (866) 797-9018, customerservicecm gla@wm.com, or through the My WM online portal. **Commercial compost collection** is also available. All commercial properties receive **recycling collection** at no charge, either in a dumpster collected by the City of Ann Arbor or in carts collected by Recycle Ann Arbor. a2gov.org/commercialtrash

Residents and businesses are encouraged to **repair, reuse, or refurbish** items in good condition. Go to a2gov.org/reuse for ideas of where to shop for or donate items

The **Drop-Off Station** (2950 Ellsworth), operated by Recycle Ann Arbor, provides recycling and safe waste disposal, especially for items that are difficult to recycle or not accepted at the curb. Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. and Sat. 9 a.m.-6 p.m. (with seasonal restrictions). \$5 gate fee and additional fees for hard-to-recycle items. Go to recycleannarbor.org or call (734) 971-7400 for details, entry and drop-off fees, list of acceptable items, and more.



The city's Engineering Department (Public Services) is responsible for roadway repairs, like the \$18.5 million Nixon Corridor Improvement Project. The department also handles bridge, sidewalk, and utility projects.

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administers the Golden Paintbrush award. a2gov.org/public-services-administration/public-art-commission

Public Works, 4251 Stone School Rd. (W.R. Wheeler Service Center). (734) 794-6350. Responsible for routine maintenance of most of Ann Arbor's infrastructure, including the drinking water, sanitary, and stormwater systems; streets, street lights, traffic signs, signals, and network lines; parks and public trees; and pedestrian paths and crosswalks. Also provides essential city services, including solid waste and compost collection. a2gov.org/public-works

Report potholes, damaged trees, signal timing, park cleanup, and other problems via a2gov.org/a2fixit or the A2 Fix It mobile app.

Sustainability & Innovations, 301 E. Huron St. (734) 794-6000. Working toward the goal of a just transition to community-wide carbon neutrality by 2030. Leads community programs and government initiatives in renewable energy, reduction in vehicle miles, waste reduction, and adaptation and resilience per the city's A2Zero plan. sustainability@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/sustainability

Wastewater Treatment, 49 S. Dixboro Rd. (734) 794-6450. This unit is responsible for the effective and environmentally acceptable collection, treatment, and discharge of wastewater, including the operation and maintenance of the wastewater treatment plant, eight sewage lift stations, and laboratory testing services. ekenzie@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/waste-water-treatment

Water Treatment, 919 Sunset. (734) 794-6426. Processes and supplies safe drinking water, including operation of source water facilities, the treatment plant, storage areas, laboratory testing services, and remote pumping stations. Manages four dams, two with hydroelectric plants. annarborwater.org

SAFETY SERVICES

Ann Arbor Fire Department, Station 1, 111 N. Fifth Ave. **Emergency: 911**. Nonemergency: (734) 794-6961. Led by fire chief Mike Kennedy, the fire department responds to all

hazardous incidents, including fires, medical emergencies, technical rescues, hazardous materials, automatic alarms, utility failures, and citizen assists. The department also provides fire prevention services, including fire safety inspections, overseeing fire-related permits, educating the public, and reviewing construction site plans; investigates fires; provides support at large events; and manages tornado warning sirens and public threat notifications. fire@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/fire

Ann Arbor Police Department, 301 E. Huron St., Justice Center, 2nd fl. **Emergency: 911**. To file a nonemergency alert: (734) 794-6920. Nonemergency requests for service: (734) 994-2911 (24 hours). Crime prevention and neighborhood watch: (734) 794-6933. Led by police chief Andre Anderson, the AAPD responds to crimes and emergencies 24/7. police@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/police

Community Standards. Enforces city ordinances that protect public health, safety, and welfare of residents. Handles complaints related to parking, overgrown grass, signs in public rights-of-way, snow or ice on sidewalks, trash accumulation on private property, and more. **File a parking complaint** by calling (734) 994-2911 when the violation is occurring, as parking complaints are time sensitive. **File all other complaints** by calling (734) 794-6942 or via the A2 Fix It mobile app. community-standards@a2gov.org

Lost & Found. (734) 794-6952. Call to report a lost item or make an appointment for pickup. a2gov.org/police-department/police-services/property

COURT SYSTEM

The local court system comprises a county trial court and three state district courts. The Trial Court and its divisions are located in the Washtenaw County Courthouse (101 E. Huron St.). The 15th District Court is in the Ann Arbor Justice Center (301 E. Huron St.).

Washtenaw County Trial Court, 101 E. Huron St. (734) 222-3270. Judges Jinan M. Hamood, Darlene A. O'Brien, Julia B. Owdziej, Arianne E. Slay, Tracy Van den Bergh, and chief judge Patrick J. Conlin. Court administrator Steve Matthews (matthewss@washtenaw.org) oversees all nonjudicial functions of the court. washtenaw.org/991/trial-court

Anyone may petition the court to issue a **personal protection order** to stop or restrain another person from harming them. It may also stop someone from buying a firearm or taking their minor children. Visit Court Services at 101 E. Huron St., ste. 1105, and bring three copies of relevant documents such as police reports or emails. Fill out forms there or at courts.michigan.gov/scao-forms/ppo.

Civil/Criminal Division (22nd Circuit Court), 101 E. Huron St., rm. 1108. (734) 222-3001. Has jurisdiction over civil cases involving more than \$25,000, felonies and certain serious misdemeanors, and cases appealed from Washtenaw County's district courts. washtenaw.org/1016/civil-criminal

Family Division. (734) 222-6900. Handles adoptions, divorces, juvenile matters, name changes, and personal protection orders.

Friend of the Court, 101 E. Huron St., ste. 1102. (734) 222-3050. This unit helps resolve disputes involving divorce, child custody, parenting time, and support. Mediation or peacemaking is available at no charge for child custody or visitation disputes. Also enforces court-ordered child support, spousal support, and parenting time agreements. Parties with support cases can access their account information online and pay child support through michigan.gov/micase. intake@washtenaw.org

Name change petitions can be submitted in person to Trial Court Services at 101 E. Huron St., by mail, or through online form. washtenaw.org/1152/name-change

Juvenile Court, 101 E. Huron St. (734) 222-6900. Handles cases of child abuse/neglect, religious-based denial of medical care for a child, and juvenile delinquency. Connects juveniles with resources including trauma-informed therapy, education advocacy programs, equine therapy, and mentoring. washtenaw.org/1061/juvenile-court

The **Peacemaking Division** focuses on solving disagreements through healing and restoring relationships. Parties meet in a circle with trained peacemakers. To indicate interest in participating, fill out the form at washtenaw.org/1168/peacemaking.

Probate Court, 101 E. Huron St., ste. 1104. (734) 222-3072. This court has jurisdiction over guardianships, estates, wills, and mental health. Free legal advice regarding basic probate matters is available; however, the court recommends that people use attorneys to better understand probate proceedings.

The **Problem-Solving Division** includes the **Sobriety Court**, an 18-month program that provides treatment, supervision, and support for recovery.

District Courts. There are three district courts in Washtenaw County: the **15th**, 301 E. Huron St. (Ann Arbor Justice Center), (734) 794-6752, processing cases within the City of Ann Arbor; **14B**, 7200 S. Huron River Dr., Ypsi, (734) 483-5300, processing cases within Ypsilanti Twp.; and **14A** (four locations; in Ann Arbor, 4133 Washtenaw Ave., 734-973-4545), processing cases in the remainder of Washtenaw County. The district courts handle criminal/traffic misdemeanors, civil infractions, local ordinance violations, felony preliminary exams, landlord-tenant filings, civil cases where the disputed amount is \$25,000 or less, and small claims cases where the disputed amount is \$7,000 or less. Contact the court in which you will be filing your case for information about filing fees and process service options. washtenaw.org/1232/county-courts

WASHTENAW COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Washtenaw County, one of the first counties in Michigan, was established in 1822 and fully organized by 1827. An agent of the state government, it carries out the responsibilities of the state, but it also has independent executive and, in a few cases, legislative powers.

The county's **general information line** is (734) 222-4357. Contact through website form: washtenaw.org.

County Administrator, 220 N. Main. (734) 222-6850. Appointed by the board of commissioners, county administrator Gregory Dill is responsible for the overall management of county departments, agencies, and offices. washtenaw.org/150/administrator

Board of Commissioners, 220 N. Main. (734) 222-6850. The chief policymaking body of county government, the board has 9 members elected to 4-year terms. Commissioners' duties include adopting the countywide budget (quadrennial and annual reaffirmations), crafting policies that govern county operations (including staff, facilities, and assets), and making appointments to/serving on boards, committees, and commissions. For a current list of commissioners and a map of commission districts, go to washtenaw.org/boc. The board of commissioners meets 1st & 3rd Wed. at 7 p.m., preceded by a working session at 5:30 p.m. All meetings at 220 N. Main; call to confirm dates and times. View meeting agenda, livestreams, and an archive of past meetings at washtenaw.org/2874/board-meeting-agendas-minutes.

County Clerk/Register of Deeds, 200 N. Main. (734) 222-6730. This combined office is headed by Lawrence Kestenbaum (D), an elected official whose four-year term expires in 2028. He and his staff maintain official county records (births, deaths, marriages, divorces, military discharges, business names, concealed weapons permits, and board of commissioners records), monitor the conduct of elections, and keep all land ownership records for property in the county. washtenaw.org/262/clerk-register-of-deeds

Environmental Health Division (Washtenaw County Health Department), 705 N. Zeeb (Western Service Center). (734) 222-3800. Inspects restaurants and other food service facilities; public pools and beaches; campgrounds and child care centers; facilities storing hazardous materials; well and septic systems; and body art facilities. Also investigates foodborne illness complaints, offers water testing, and provides consultation on sanitation, groundwater contamination, mold, radon, pests, and more. **To file a housing or sanitation complaint**, call the number above. zeebcss@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/envhealth

Human Resources, 220 N. Main; PO Box 8645, AA 48107. (734) 222-6800 (phone). (734) 222-6775 (fax). County job openings are posted each week. Apply online or download the application and fax or mail. washtenaw.org/1173/human-resources

Office of Community & Economic Development (OCED), 415 W. Michigan Ave., Ypsi, 2nd fl. (734) 544-6748. Works to increase equality and opportunity for Washtenaw County residents through programs, initiatives, and direct services in affordable housing, human services, economic development, and community infrastructure. washtenaw.org/oced

Prosecutor, 200 N. Main. (734) 222-6620. Prosecutor Eli Savit (D), an elected official whose 4-year term expires Jan. 2029, is the chief law enforcement officer for the county. The prosecuting attorney and assistants are responsible for criminal cases that fall under state law. The prosecutor must authorize, in writing, any criminal prosecution, enforces child support, and handles juvenile court matters. For questions about child support, call (734) 222-6630. Advocates in the **Victim/Witness Assistance Program**, (734) 222-6650, inform victims of their rights and the status of their cases. prosecutor@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/1070/prosecuting-attorney

Public Defender, 220 E. Huron St., 5th fl. (734) 222-6970. Delphia Simpson and her staff provide court-appointed legal counsel for those determined unable to pay for a lawyer, including adults charged with felonies or misdemeanors and juveniles charged with delinquencies or who are victims of neglect or abuse. Handles all criminal, juvenile, and special civil law appointments, as well as services related to bond reduction hearings, Friend of the Court matters, personal protection orders, probation violations, diversions, and extraditions. Also focuses on crime prevention, reduced recid-



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During her first hundred days in office, sheriff Alyshia Dyer updated the county's traffic stop policy with the aim of reducing racial disparities in low-level, nonviolent offenses (Washtenaw County Government).

ivism, justice, rehabilitation, and training and employment opportunities. washtenaw.org/1068/public-defender

Public Health, 555 Towner St., Ypsi. (734) 544-6700. See **Health Care** section, p. 51.

Road Commission, 555 N. Zeeb. (734) 761-1500. The road commission, chaired by Barbara Ryan Fuller, and its staff, headed by managing director Matt McConnell, are responsible for constructing, repairing, and maintaining paved and gravel roads outside city limits. The commission does not maintain privately owned streets or streets within the City of Ann Arbor. wccroads.org

Report nonemergency county road issues via the WCRC Fix It mobile app or wccroads.org/residents/report-an-issue.

Sheriff, 2201 Hogback. **Emergency: 911**. Nonemergency: (734) 971-8400. Sheriff Alyshia Dyer (D), an elected official whose 4-year term expires Jan. 2029, enforces criminal, civil, and traffic laws, apprehends criminals, intervenes in crimes in progress, and conducts criminal investigations. The sheriff's office provides contract police services to various jurisdictions in the county; coordinates law enforcement and other justice and human service activities of the county and state; operates the county jail, community corrections, and prison re-entry programs; serves as the principal officer of the courts providing court security and executing court orders, judgments, and civil processes; administers emergency management; and operates the 911 Metro Dispatch center. washtenawsheriff.org

County Treasurer, 200 N. Main, ste. 200. (734) 222-6600. Treasurer Latitia Lamelle Sharp, an elected official whose 4-year term expires Jan. 2029, is the custodian of all county funds and portfolio manager for the county's investments. The office receives, deposits, and accounts for all county revenue and state edu-

cation tax; collects delinquent property taxes; assists people with financial hardships in paying their property taxes; and certifies deeds to verify taxes are paid. Contact for details about Home for Generations and Bridge Loans to Affordability programs. Pay delinquent taxes securely online without a fee at washtenaw.org/pay.taxes@washtenaw.org. washtenaw.org/treasurer

Veterans Affairs, 2155 Hogback. (734) 973-4540. Helps military veterans, their survivors, and dependents file claims for federal, state, and local benefits, including monthly VA entitlements, financial assistance, and burial reimbursement. Emergency financial grants for food, utilities, and shelter; veteran health care information; and substance abuse referrals. washtenaw.org/959/veterans-affairs

Water Resources Commissioner, 705 N. Zeeb. (734) 222-6860. Gretchen Driskell, an elected official, operates and maintains designated county drains; issues drain use permits; issues soil erosion and sedimentation control permits for much of Washtenaw County; reviews and approves stormwater systems in new developments and redevelopments for much of the county; manages public works programs including lake management projects; operates the Materials Management Division, including County Cleanup Days, the School Recycling Program, and the Home Toxics Center; and runs public education and outreach programs, including Community Partners for Clean Streams, RiverSafe Homes, and the Rain Garden Program. drains@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/154/water-resources

Report flooding or other issues after hours at washtenaw.org/196/report-an-issue.

STATE OFFICIALS

Governor Gretchen Whitmer (D), PO Box 30013, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-3400. Constituent Services: (517) 335-7858. 4-year term expires Jan. 2027. michigan.gov/whitmer

Senator Jeff Irwin (D-15th District: south Ann Arbor, southern and eastern Washtenaw County, and parts of Lenawee and Monroe counties), PO Box 30036, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-2406. 4-year term expires Jan. 2027. senjirwin@senate.michigan.gov, senatedems.com/irwin

Senator Sue Shink (D-14th District: north Ann Arbor, northern and western Washtenaw County, and most of Jackson County), PO Box 30036, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-2426. 4-year term expires Jan. 2027. sensshink@senate.michigan.gov, senatedems.com/shink

Representative Jason Morgan (D-23rd District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Ann Arbor, Northville, Plymouth, and Lyon; and all of the city of South Lyon and the townships of Superior and Salem), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-0855. 2-year term expires Jan. 2027. jasonmorgan@house.mi.gov, housedems.com/jason-morgan

Representative Morgan Foreman (D-33rd District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Scio, Pittsfield, and York; and all of Saline and the townships of Bridgewater, Lodi, and Saline), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-0820. 2-year term expires Jan. 2027. morganforeman@house.mi.gov, housedems.com/morgan-foreman

Representative Carrie Rheingans (D-47th District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Ann Arbor, Grass Lake, and Summit; and all of Dexter and the townships of Columbia, Napoleon, Norvell, Freedom, Lima, Manchester, Scio, and Sharon), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-8835. 2-year term expires Jan. 2027. carrierheingans@house.mi.gov, housedems.com/carrie-rheingans

Representative Jennifer Conlin (D-48th District: parts of Ann Arbor and the townships of Ann Arbor, Dexter, Genoa, Hamburg, Northfield, Waterloo, Webster, Lyndon, and Putnam; and all of Pinckney), PO Box 30014, Lansing 48909. (517) 373-7557. 2-year term expires Jan. 2027. jenniferconlin@house.mi.gov, housedems.com/jennifer-conlin

TRANSIT

AAATA/TheRide

Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority (TheRide), 2700 South Industrial. (734) 973-6500. Provides public transportation to the greater Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area. All buses are equipped with a ramp and can accommodate 2 wheelchair users; a bike rack in front can carry 2 bicycles. Go to theride.org for real-time information on bus locations, routes, schedules, system-wide alerts, and discount fares, and to sign up for MyAlerts email alerts on specific routes.

Ann Arbor central boarding point: **Blake Transit Center** (328 S. Fifth Ave.). Ypsilanti central boarding point: **Ypsilanti Transit Center** (220 Pearl).

Service hours for most routes are Mon.-Fri. 6 a.m.-midnight, Sat. 7 a.m.-11:50 p.m., and Sun. 8 a.m.-9:45 p.m. **Fare is \$1.50 for fixed-route bus service.** Transfers are free and valid for 90 minutes. Students in grades K-12 ride for \$.75. Children age 5 & under ride free.

Thirty-day unlimited-ride passes (\$45; \$22.50 for K-12 students and Fare Deal cardholders) can be purchased online, at the Blake Transit Center, TheRide's main office, and some Bank of Ann Arbor locations.

MRide program allows U-M faculty, staff, and students with a yellow MCard to ride free. **Fare Deal** cards allow people ages 60-64, people with a Medicare or Medicaid card, or certification through an authorized agency to ride for \$.75. **GoldRide** cards allow people age 65+ to ride free. Many downtown Ann Arbor businesses offer the **golpass**, which enables their employees to ride free.

FlexRide on-demand service provides connections to TheRide's fixed-route bus system and to other destinations, and late-night/holiday shared-ride service when TheRide's fixed-route service is not operating. Call (734) 794-0377 or go to myflexride.org to make a reservation.

A-Ride is a shared-ride service for ADA-eligible people whose disability prevents them from riding regular fixed-route buses. Service is provided in lift-equipped vehicles. A-Ride card holders can also ride fixed-route service at no cost.

GroceryRide. (734) 973-6500. Provides weekly trips from several senior housing communities in Ann Arbor to grocery stores for \$.75 each way.

FootballRide provides game-day shuttle service from boarding locations from north, east, west, south, and downtown Ann Arbor to Michigan Stadium.

VanRide. (248) 948-8965. Commuters may lease a vehicle to carpool to their Washtenaw County workplaces; riders pay monthly based on distance and fuel costs. Members of each vanpool collectively decide driving, timing, and route arrangements including pick-up and drop-off locations. theride.org/services/commuter-services/vanpool

Free Park & Ride lots are at 1888 Green (100 spaces), Plymouth Rd. and US-23 (3700 Plymouth Rd.; 260 spaces), Miller at M-14 (2901 Miller; 164 spaces), Pioneer High School (601 W. Stadium; 220 spaces), and the U-M Tennis Center and the connected State Street Commuter Lot (2250 S. State; 550 spaces). From these lots, buses run downtown and to U-M campuses. There are also shared-use Park & Ride spaces at the Washtenaw County Service Center (4125 Washtenaw Ave.), Meijer (3825 Carpenter, Ypsilanti), Ypsilanti Transit Center (220 Pearl, Ypsi; 22 spaces; free hangtag required), Huron Pkwy. between Plymouth and Nixon roads, and Veterans Park (2150 Jackson Ave.).

getDowntown, 328 S. Fifth Ave. (Blake Transit Center). (734) 219-6596. A program of TheRide in partnership with the Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority and the City of Ann Arbor. Supports downtown employers and employees with their commuting needs, including golpasses, carpool and vanpool options, **Park & Ride**, walking and biking in-

formation, individual assistance, the **Conquer the Cold** event every Jan., and the **Commuter Challenge** every May. info@getdowntown.org, getdowntown.org

Feonix-Mobility Rising. Feonix supports Washtenaw County residents facing transportation challenges by offering accessible ride options through its Catch A Ride app. Financial assistance may be available for those who qualify. info@feonix.org, feonix.org

Southeast Michigan Commuter Connect. (866) 510-7665. A free trip planning and commuter-matching service by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments and TheRide. Enter your departure point and destination online or in the app to get information on commuting options, including carpool partners, vanpools, walking and biking buddies, and bus routes throughout southeast Michigan. com-muter@theride.org, commuterconnectmi.org

Bicycles

Common Cycle, 416 W. Huron St., ste. 11. Volunteer mechanics teach and assist with repairs. Programs include public hours, maintenance courses, a Femme/Trans/Women (FTW) program, and supporting underserved communities through bike distribution. info@commoncycle.org, commoncycle.org

U-M Transportation

U-M Buses. (734) 764-7475. All route service is free to the public; no pass required. Operates 13 campus and health system routes in the fall/winter terms; 9 routes in the spring/summer terms. lp.umich.edu

U-M Vanpool. (734) 764-8291. Eligible U-M employees pay \$25/month to join or start a vanpool to and from campus. Others can join at \$119/month. Members split gas costs. lp.umich.edu/transportation-alternatives/vanpools

Intercity Buses

D2A2 Detroit-Ann Arbor Service, (517) 333-0400. Ann Arbor stop: 328 S. Fifth Ave. (Blake Transit Center). Pilot express bus service connecting Ann Arbor and Detroit, managed by TheRide and funded by the Regional Transport Authority of Southeast Michigan. Buses leave Ann Arbor approximately every hour between 6 a.m.-11 p.m. Mon.-Fri.; approximately every 2 hours between 7:45 a.m.-9:15 p.m. Sat. & Sun.; no service on some holidays. See website for detailed schedule (including expanded summer service hours) and bus tracking. **One-way fares:** \$6 online, \$8 on bus, \$4 senior/disability, book of 10 for \$50, book of 50 for \$100. info@michiganflyer.com.d2a2.com

FlixBus/Greyhound. 325 Depot (Amtrak station). (800) 231-2222. Direct service from Ann Arbor to 13 destinations, including Detroit, Cleveland, and Chicago. Connections available throughout the U.S., Canada, and Mexico. Outlets and free Wi-Fi on buses. flixbus.com, greyhound.com

Indian Trails, 331 S. Fourth Ave. (Blake Transit Center). (800) 292-3831. Service to Detroit, Jackson, Lansing, Mt. Pleasant, Clare, Gaylord, and St. Ignace. Connections to locations in Minnesota and Wisconsin. Outlets and free Wi-Fi on buses. indiantrails.com

Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE). (734) 475-9494. Provides affordable transportation in Western Washtenaw County. The **Community and Jackson Road Connectors** connect Chelsea, Dexter, Scio Twp., and Ann Arbor along Jackson Rd. **Fares:** \$0.50-\$1, with discounted rates for K-12 students, seniors age 60+, low-income individuals, and people with disabilities (personal care attendants ride free). Operates 7 days/week (except holidays). **Door-to-door service** in the greater Western Washtenaw area. **Fares:** \$.50-\$.55, based on location, with discounted rates for K-12 students, seniors age 60+, low-income individuals, and people with disabilities. Operates Mon.-Fri. 6 a.m.-9:30 p.m. **Group Trip** community shuttle services for qualifying groups. \$75/hour. See website for detailed schedules. book.myride@wavebus.org, ridethewavebus.org

County Commissioners

County commissioners serve 2-year terms, with all seats up for election in November 2026. The current board chair is Katie Scott (734-222-6850). To determine which commissioner represents you, view the county's district map (washtenaw.org/217/commissioners) or call the Ann Arbor city clerk's office at (734) 794-6140 or your township hall.

District 1 (Chelsea and Dexter; Lima, Lyndon, and Sylvan twps.; most of Scio Twp.; and part of Dexter Twp.): **Jason Maciejewski** (D). (734) 210-9880. maciejewskij@washtenaw.org

District 2 (Northfield, Salem, and Webster twps., Barton Hills Village; most of Ann Arbor and Superior twps.; and parts of Dexter Twp.): **Crystal Lyte** (D). (734) 780-6679. lytec@washtenaw.org

District 3 (Bridgewater, Freedom, Lodi, Manchester, Saline, Sharon, and York twps., the cities of Saline and Milan, and the village of Manchester): **Shannon Beeman** (D). (734) 222-6850. beemans@washtenaw.org

District 4 (Pittsfield Twp. and small parts of the City of Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti Twp.): **Caroline Sanders** (D). (734) 222-6850. sandersc@washtenaw.org

District 5 (Augusta Twp. and south Ypsilanti Twp.): **Justin Hodge** (D). (734) 249-3664. hodgej@washtenaw.org

District 6 (Ypsilanti and parts of Superior and Ypsilanti twps.): **Annie Somerville** (D). (734) 210-9963. somervillea@washtenaw.org

District 7 (east Ann Arbor and parts of Ann Arbor and Pittsfield twps.): **Andy LaBarre** (D). (734) 945-1298. labarrea@washtenaw.org

District 8 (central and part of south Ann Arbor): **Yousef Rabhi** (D). (734) 222-6850. rabhiy@washtenaw.org

District 9 (west, southwest, and part of north Ann Arbor, and part of Pittsfield Twp.): **Katie Scott** (D). (734) 222-6850. scottk@washtenaw.org

Groups & Clubs

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ADVOCACY & POLITICS

Ann Arbor Campus-Community Coalition (A2C3). (734) 763-1320. Seeks to reduce harm around alcohol and other drugs. Broad-based coalition with over 20 sectors represented, including U-M and AAPS, promotes an inclusive community for youth, nondrinkers, and people in recovery to shift the culture. Meets online 1st Thurs. noon-1 p.m.; link provided with RSVP. wolverinewellness@umich.edu, wolverinewellness.umich.edu/a2c3

Ann Arbor Democratic Party. Organizes and educates on issues of local, state, and national interest. Major events seasonally & social mixers every month. mhallthiamaka@gmail.com, annarbordems.org

Citizens' Climate Lobby. Ginny Rogers, (734) 657-3150. Focused on national policies to address climate change. Provides support, resources, and training to volunteers, empowering them to generate the political will for simple, fair, and effective climate policy. Meets 2nd Sat. annarbor@citizensclimatelobby.org, annarborccl.org

Huron-Raisin Libertarian Party, 1659 Wingate, Ypsi 48198 (mailing). (888) 373-3669. Covers Lenawee, Monroe, and Washtenaw counties. Supports Libertarian candidates for elected offices, and promotes libertarian causes, ideals, and goals. Meets 4th Wed. 6:30 p.m., The Sports Bar Westside (5510 Jackson Rd.). Meetings and information free; dues \$10. michiganlp.org/huron-raisin

Interfaith Council for Peace and Justice, 1414 Hill. (734) 663-1870. Empowers communities, congregations, mutual aid groups, network organizations, and individual volunteers to make radical systemic change within Washtenaw County and across Michigan. Regular membership \$25 or less (sliding scale). info@icpi.org, icpi.org

Jim Toy Community Center, 560 S. Main. (734) 274-9551. Resource for the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and allied residents of Washtenaw County. hello@jimtoycenter.org, jimtoycenter.org

League of Women Voters-Washtenaw County, PO Box 3832, AA 48106. Studies local, state, and national issues; provides nonpartisan election information; sponsors candidate forums and debates; and lobbies government officials on issues studied by league members. Publishes *Your Elected Officials* guide, and the online voter guide vote411.org. Open to all age 16+. Sliding scale dues (includes state & national membership). league@lwvwashtenaw.org, lwvwashtenaw.org

NAACP Ann Arbor Branch. Andre Watson, president, (734) 761-9084. Monitors civil rights issues. Events include Juneteenth celebration (June, 3rd Sat.) and Freedom Fund Dinner (Nov., 1st Sun.). Meets on Zoom 1st Mon. 7 p.m. (except Jan.). Dues \$30 (includes national membership). naacpofannarbor@gmail.com, naacpofannarbor.com

National Active and Retired Federal Employees Association, Chapter 304 (NARFE), PO Box 7085, AA 48107. Works to protect benefits and help members attain them. Open to federal employees, retirees, spouses, and survivors. Meets 2nd Mon. 11:30 a.m.



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(meeting begins at noon) on Zoom. Annual membership \$48 (includes chapter dues). kayetaylor95@aol.com, narfe.org

Planned Parenthood Advocates of Michigan, 3100 Professional. (517) 482-1080. Advocates for communities that rely on Planned Parenthood by volunteering at outreach events, serving as clinic escorts, becoming trained storytellers, and pushing for legislation to expand reproductive freedom and access to care. ppam@ppmi.org, mipannedparenthood.org/get-involved

Protectors of Equality in Government. Promotes organizations that share its belief that the government treat everyone with equality and acceptance. Weekly newsletter. info@equalityingov.org, equalityingov.org

Public Citizens of Washtenaw (Gray Panthers of Washtenaw), PO Box 981246, Ypsi 48198. Michael-David BenDor, (734) 484-1628. Intergenerational organization for social and economic justice. Works at local, state, and national levels on economic security, health care, civil rights/liberties, political integrity, and other issues. Affiliated with the National Council of Gray Panthers Networks. Dues \$35 or less (sliding scale), couples \$60. md@bendor.org, megiddo@umich.edu

Veterans for Peace, Chapter 93, 803 John A. Woods Dr., AA 48105 (mailing). (734) 662-0818. Dedicated to peace and justice issues, such as abolishing war as international policy and eliminating nuclear weapons. Peace Studies scholarship available. Nonveterans welcome. mrmuha@gmail.com

Walk Bike Washtenaw, 339 E. Liberty, ste. 300 (Ecology Center). Seeks to make Washtenaw County a national leader in bicycling and walking by improving facilities, policies, and community support through advocacy and education. Dues \$25 individual, \$35 families, \$10 students. info@wbwc.org, wbwc.org

Washtenaw County Democratic Party. (734) 879-0556. Organizes party activists and supports local, county, statewide, and national Democratic policies and candidates. Volunteer roles available. Programs, events, and special town hall meetings open to the public. info@washtenawdems.org, washtenawdems.org

Washtenaw County NOW (National Organization for Women), PO Box 981343, Ypsi 48198. Promotes gender equity, social justice, and other issues. Takes action to bring women into full and equal participation in American society. Dues \$40, students \$15 (sliding scale available). nowwashco@nowwashco.org, nowwashco.com

Washtenaw County Republican Party, 3025 Boardwalk, ste. 90 (NCMS Bldg.) Supports candidates running for public office, organizes activists, engages voters, and promotes Republican policies. Volunteer roles available. Meets 2nd Thurs. 7 p.m.

The Ann Arbor Backyard Beekeepers (Hobbies & Games) are fearless friends of pollinators, and snappy dressers. Their monthly meetings are open to anyone interested in learning about honeybees and beekeeping.

info@washtenawrepublicans.org, washtenawrepublicans.org

ARTS & CRAFTS

Ann Arbor Art Center (A2AC), 117 W. Liberty. (734) 994-8004. Painting, mixed media, Art Lab (where traditional art meets technology), ceramics studio, and metalworking/jewelry studio. Open studio time, art parties, and events throughout the year. Mon.-Sat. 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Sun. 11 a.m.-5 p.m. jwheeler@annarborartcenter.org, annarborartcenter.org

Ann Arbor Camera Club. Members share digital and print images of an assigned subject each month. Exhibits, social events, an annual competition, and programs and field trips throughout the year. Beginners to pros are welcome to join. Meets 1st and 3rd Tues. at 7 p.m.; guests welcome. a2camclub@gmail.com, annarborcameraclub.org

Ann Arbor Chapter of the Embroiderers Guild of America. Stitchers of all abilities invited to learn new techniques, socialize, and work on their own stitchery items. Meets Sept.-June, 3rd Mon. 6:30 p.m. at West Side Methodist Church (900 S. Seventh St.). Meets on Zoom Jan. & Feb. and during inclement weather. ega.annarborchapter@gmail.com, ega-gl.org/mianna

Ann Arbor Area Crappy Camera Club (A3C3). Members use a variety of film cameras to explore wet-plate photography, pinhole photos, or other methods such as combining film and scanning. hgardner76@yahoo.com, facebook.com/groups/annarborareacameraclub

Ann Arbor Drink & Draw. Monthly gathering of visual artists of all abilities to draw together and share ideas. Attendees bring their own supplies. Meets 1st Sun. 10 a.m.-1 p.m., Dozer Coffee (112 Jackson Plz.). instagram.com/a2drinkanddraw

Ann Arbor Fiberarts Guild, 1501 W. Liberty (Zion Lutheran Church). For all interested in fiber arts: weaving, spinning, quilting, knitting, felting, beading, dyeing and surface design, and wearables. Workshops, lectures, critique sessions, exhibitions. Meets 6:30 p.m. 2nd Mon. Sept.-May; visitors welcome. Dues \$50. annarborfiberarts@gmail.com, annarborfiberarts.org

Ann Arbor Potters Guild, 201 Hill. (734) 663-4970. Cooperatively run ceramics studio. Sales twice a year, 1st weekend in Dec. & June, and at the Ann Arbor Street Art Fair, the Original, in July. Visiting and full memberships for qualified applicants. pottersguild.net, pottersguild.net

Creative Washtenaw, 1100 N. Main, ste. A. (734) 213-2733. Advocates for and supports the creative sector of Washtenaw County—arts and cultural organizations and creative individuals and businesses—to ensure the region remains a great place to create, live, work, learn, play, and visit. Conducts needs assessments for arts and creative education, administers grants and research projects, manages public art and design projects, and presents annual awards for excellence. Dues \$35-\$100. info@creativewashtenaw.org, creativewashtenaw.org

Great Lakes Lace Group, Inc. Kathleen J. Campbell, (734) 483-5693. Members study, make, and collect lace. Open to beginners. Dues \$20; age 16 & under free. kjcampbell@sbccglobal.net, gllgi.org

Greater Ann Arbor Quilt Guild, PO Box 131272, AA 48113. Dedicated to the promotion and preservation of traditional, modern, and art quilt-making and related fiber arts. Workshops with internationally known teachers, lectures, biennial quilt shows, and SafeHouse Center charitable projects. Meets 6 times/year in odd-numbered months on the 3rd Sat., WCC Morris Lawrence Bldg. (4800 E. Huron River Dr.). Meetings include a speaker, trunk show, show-and-tell, and more. Nonmembers and quilters of all skill levels welcome. Dues \$55. president@gaaqg.com, gaaqg.com

The Guild of Artists & Artisans, 118 N. Fourth Ave. (734) 662-3382. Nonprofit membership organization of professional artists promotes community awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the visual arts and provides professional artists with marketing opportunities. Produces the Ann Arbor Summer Art Fair, 7 additional annual art fairs, and manages the Gutman Gallery (118 N. Fourth Ave.). info@the-guild.org, theguild.org

Southeast Michigan Woodworkers. Monthly meet-up of area woodworking professionals and hobbyists to share work and discuss woodworking techniques. Meets 2nd Thurs. 7 p.m., Maker Works (3765 Plaza Dr.). semiwwboard@gmail.com, semiww.org

ATHLETICS

Ann Arbor Bicycle Touring Society. Organizes numerous weekly road and gravel rides for cyclists of different skill levels and interests. Hosts the long-running "One Helluva Ride" to Hell, MI, 2nd Sat. in July. Supports local cycling advocacy, safety, and charitable groups. Dues \$20, families \$25. aabs.org, aabs.org

Ann Arbor Bike Party, 315 Detroit St. (Ann Arbor Farmers Market). Slow bike rides throughout Ann

Arbor for everyone of all ages. Families and beginners welcome. Last Fri., 7 p.m., Apr.–Oct. bikeinann-arbor@gmail.com, a2bikeparty.com

Ann Arbor Rowing Club, 1325 Lake Shore Dr. (Bandemer Park Beal Boathouse). Nonprofit club of rowing coached sweep rowing and sculling for adults of all experience levels, including adaptive rowing, in club-owned racing shells. Hosts the Michigan Club Invitational regatta. On-water season runs Apr.–Oct. Annual dues \$25; program fees \$340–\$510 per 3-month season. Scholarships and discounts for veterans and students. info@a2crew.com, a2crew.com

Ann Arbor Ski Club, PO Box 3258, AA 48106. Year-round sports and social club. Activities include downhill and cross-country skiing, biking, kayaking/canoeing, social events, summer picnics, weekend getaways for skiing/biking, and weeklong trips to western ski resorts and warm weather destinations. General meetings and theme parties Sept.–April. Dues \$40. a2skiclub@gmail.com, a2skiclub.org

Ann Arbor Track Club. Running group open to all skill levels age 14+. Holds high-intensity interval workouts Tues. 6:30 p.m. and casual 5–8 mile runs Thurs. 6:30 p.m. and Sun. 8:30 a.m. Visitors welcome; nonmembers must sign a waiver on the website in advance. Dues \$30. president@aatrackclub.org, aatrackclub.org

Bad Decisions Track Club. Eclectic running group open to adult runners of all abilities ranging from people training for their first 5K to ultramarathoners. Sessions are typically interval-based track workouts, followed by socializing at a nearby brewery. Meets Thurs. 6 p.m., Ferry Field (State at Hoover; may meet elsewhere if weather is bad). frago42@gmail.com, baddecisionstrackclub.com

Michigan Sailing Club, 8010 Strawberry Lake Rd. (Dexter Clubhouse), Dexter. All-volunteer, cooperative club offers sailing, racing, windsurfing, paddle-craft, swimming, and leisurely day-sailing on Baseline Lake. Barbecues, educational seminars, family events, learning opportunities, and the fellowship of sailors who share their talents and enthusiasm. michigansailingclub.org

BUSINESS

American Business Women's Association (Maia Chapter). Opportunities for leadership, education, and networking for women of all ages. Meets 3rd Tues. Annual national dues \$125, local dues \$36, plus fee for appetizers each meeting. Guests welcome. Reservations required. abwamaiachapter@gmail.com, abwa-maia.org

Ann Arbor/Ypsilanti Regional Chamber, 2010 Hogback, ste. 4. (734) 665–4433. Networking opportunities and events, educational seminars, leadership development, member discounts, health care programs, and public policy engagement for the business community. Dues based on number of employees and level of membership. a2ychamber.org

New Enterprise Forum, 330 E. Liberty. Volunteer service providers, entrepreneurs, and executives provide free coaching to help startup entrepreneurs perfect their investor pitches and connect with local and regional investors as well as other resources. Meets 3rd Thurs. 5 p.m. (except Aug. & Dec.) at Ann Arbor SPARK Central (330 E. Liberty). Meetings free and open to all. membership@newenterpriseforum.org, newenterpriseforum.org

Washtenaw Association of Volunteer Coordinators. Professional networking and support organization for managers of volunteers. Meets every other month at various locations. wavcinfo@gmail.com, wavc.wordpress.com

West Washtenaw Business Association, PO Box 2801, AA 48106. (734) 436–1080. Promotes and supports the local business community through education, networking, and events, including after-hours, morning mingle, quarterly meetings, Jackson Road Cruise, and more. Dues \$160 (corporate membership \$260). admin@wwba.biz, wwba.biz

The Women's Exchange of Washtenaw (WXW). Helping women business leaders in southeastern Michigan connect in a collaborative, supportive, and confidential environment. Works directly with business owners, CEOs, and business & community leaders to solve business issues, train up-and-coming young professionals, and connect workers with jobs. info@wxwbusiness.com, wxwbusiness.com

ENVIRONMENT & CONSERVATION

Ann Arbor Trout Unlimited. (734) 975–0234. Local members of National Trout Unlimited conserve, protect, and restore Michigan's coldwater fisheries, as well as the Huron River and Mill Creek. Meets Sept.–May, 2nd Wed., with speakers on conservation issues and angling opportunities. Nonmembers welcome. Dues \$35, \$17.50 for new members. annarbortu.org

Ann Arbor Area Wild Ones. (734) 355–2532. Promotes native plants to preserve biodiversity through

education, advocacy, and collaborative action. Meets Sept.–Apr., 2nd Wed. 6:30–8 p.m., Matthaei Botanical Gardens (1800 N. Dixboro Rd.). Summer activities include garden visits and field trips. Meetings free and open to the public. Dues \$40. annarborarea.wildones.org

Freedom Birders (formerly BIPOC Birders of Michigan). Dedicated to introducing and encouraging people of color to the world of birding. Hosts field trips to birding sites and supports individuals in birding. Open to all. bipocbirdersofmi.wordpress.com

Huron River Watershed Council, 117 N. First, ste. 100. (734) 769–5123. A nonprofit that works to protect and restore the Huron River through watershed monitoring, policy support, advocacy, and outreach programs. Membership \$35+. hrwc.org

Legacy Land Conservancy, 6276 Jackson Rd., ste. G. (734) 302–5263. Protects natural areas, farmland, and open space in Washtenaw, Lenawee, and Jackson counties. Manages 8 public nature preserves and provides information about private conservation options, government land protection programs, and the benefits of preserving open lands. info@legacyland-conservancy.org, legacylandconservancy.org

Michigan Botanical Society–Huron Valley Chapter. Conservation group that focuses on the identification, preservation, and enjoyment of the native flora of the Great Lakes region. Conducts educational lectures, field trips, conservation projects, and supports the peer-reviewed science journal *The Great Lakes Botanist*. Local programs 4th Tues. Jan.–Apr. & Sept.–Nov. free and open to the public; statewide forays open only to members. Dues \$30, students \$20 (includes newsletters and issues of *The Great Lakes Botanist*). rayotter14@gmail.com, michbotclub.org

National Wildlife Federation (Great Lakes Regional Center), 213 W. Liberty, ste. 200. (734) 769–3351. NWF works to protect the Great Lakes by advocating for policies and laws that protect fish and wildlife habitats, prevent the spread of invasive species, limit runoff causing harmful algal blooms, reduce the threat of oil pollution in the Straits of Mackinac from Line 5, and reduce contamination from PFAS. Other programs include Sacred Grounds, Garden for Wildlife, and *Ranger Rick* magazine for kids. greatlakes@nwf.org, nwf.org/greatlakes

Sierra Club Michigan Chapter (Huron Valley Group), PO Box 7802, AA 48104. Promotes climate action, clean energy & water, alternative transportation, and parks & recreational facilities. Monthly meeting with featured presenters open to visitors usually 3rd Tues. 6 p.m., AADL Downtown (343 S. Fifth Ave.). National dues \$15 introductory, \$39 annual renewal (not required for local activities). hvgsierraclub@gmail.com, sierraclub.org/michigan/huron-valley, meetup.com/sierra-club-huron-valley

The Stewardship Network, 416 Longshore. (734) 996–3190. Connects, equips, and mobilizes people and organizations to care for the land, water, and air in their communities. Offers environmental events, volunteering calendar, educational monthly webcasts, a stewardship job board, free work gloves for conservation efforts, and more. staff@stewardshipnetwork.org, stewardshipnetwork.org

Superior Land Preservation Society. (734) 483–3283. Preserves and protects land in Superior Twp.; organizes events, speakers, and meetings to promote awareness of land use issues. Publishes occasional *Superior Land Preservation Society News*. Meets occasionally at Old Superior Township Hall (3040 N. Prospect, Ypsi). Dues \$25, students & seniors \$15, families \$50. slpsociety@gmail.com

Washtenaw Bird & Nature Alliance, PO Box 130293, AA 48116. Sponsors conservation advocacy, field trips (some international), and land stewardship, including Safe Passage program working with owners and residents of tall buildings to minimize risks to migrating birds. Conducts annual Christmas Bird Count. Monthly meetings are open to the public, featuring topics on climate change on bird populations, birding around the world, butterflies, amphibians, reptiles, endangered species, bird banding, nature photography, and Great Lakes issues with emphasis on birds and nature. Meets Jan.–June & Sept.–Nov., 3rd Wed. 6 p.m., AADL Downtown (343 S. Fifth Ave.). Dues \$20–\$25 households, \$10–\$15 students and seniors. secretary@washtenawbna.org, washtenawbna.org

Will Forage for Food. Members eat healthy, get exercise, and share knowledge on living from the land. Free events and for-fee classes range from edible and medicinal plant walks to mushroom growing to homesteading and wilderness skills. rachel@will-forageforfood.com, willforageforfood.com

EDUCATION & HISTORY

American Association of University Women (AAUW)–Ann Arbor Chapter, PO Box 2806, AA 48106. (844) 973–6287. Open to individuals holding an associate's degree or higher from a regionally accredited college or university. Advances gender equi-

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Groups & Clubs

ty for women and girls through research, education, and advocacy. Monthly interest groups. Annual fund-raising used book sale Sept. 5–7, 2025, WCC Morris Lawrence Bldg. (4800 Huron River Dr.). Branch meetings 3rd Wed. Sept.–May at the Ann Arbor City Club (1830 Washtenaw Ave.). Dues. annarbor-mi.aauw.net

Ann Arbor Chinese Center of Michigan (AACCOM) & Taiwan Center for Mandarin Learning (TCML), PO Box 130733, AA 48113. Cultural festivals and workshops, performances for adults and children, and interactive classes in Chinese language (age 3–adult), yo-yo, musical instruments, K-pop dance, and Chen-style Taiji. Meets Sept.–May, Fri. 6–9:50 p.m. aaccom.org/tcml

Ann Arbor Civil War Round Table. Ken Baumann, (734) 625–5264. Discussion and presentations from local and national experts. Meets Sept.–June, (no Dec. meeting), 2nd Mon. 7 p.m., Trinity Health Ann Arbor Education Center, 2nd fl. (5305 Elliott, lot P, Ypsi). Dues \$30 (\$5 goes to battlefield preservation) for individuals and families; guests welcome. kb64bau@sbcglobal.net, aacwrt.org

Anthroposophical Society in America, 1923 Geddes. (734) 662–9355. National branch of the global movement founded in Switzerland by Rudolf Steiner in 1923. Resources and events to support inner development and cultural transformation “in order to create a future worthy of the human being.” info@anthroposophy.org, anthroposophy.org

Culinary Historians of Ann Arbor. Cooks, food writers, nutritionists, collectors, students, and others interested in the study of culinary history and gastronomy meet for monthly programs (open to guests) and themed dinners twice a year. Publishes the quarterly *Repast*. Meets Sept.–May, 3rd Sun. Dues \$25 individual/couple; \$20 newsletter only. a2culinaryhistorians@gmail.com, culinaryhistoriansannarbor.org

Genealogical Society of Washtenaw County, PO Box 7155, AA 48107. Marcia McCrary, (734) 483–2799. Members trace family histories and work to preserve the histories of local families. Publishes *Family History Capers* quarterly. Meets in person and on Zoom Sept.–May (Nov. & Dec. meeting combined; Jan.–Mar. Zoom only), 4th Sun. 1:30 p.m., Trinity Health Ann Arbor Education Center (5305 Elliott, lot P, Ypsi). Dues \$15–\$25 (includes journal). info@washtenawgenealogy.org, washtenawgenealogy.org

International House Ann Arbor, 921 Church St. (734) 662–5529. Welcomes students and scholars from around the world to form an international, intercultural, inter-spiritual living-learning community. Residential and educational programs, events, and activities. info@ihouseaa.org, ihouseaa.org

Old West Side Association. Susan Kaufmann, (734) 255–6598. Preserves the character of the Old West Side Historic District. Provides forums on developments significant to the neighborhood. Annual dues \$2–\$10. oldwestsidea2@gmail.com, oldwestsidea2.org

Washtenaw County Historical Society, 500 N. Main at corner of Beakes & E. Kingsley. (734) 662–9092. Oversees Museum on Main Street, open Sat. & Sun. noon–4 p.m. and by appointment. Exhibits vary. Dues \$20 individuals, \$30 families, \$15 seniors. wchs-500@ameritech.net, washtenawhistory.org

FAMILY & PARENTING

The Breastfeeding Cafe, 2300 Washtenaw Ave., ste. 200 (Breastfeeding Center of Ann Arbor). (734) 975–6534. Free weekly group for breastfeeding mothers and their babies. Meets in person Fri. 10–11:30 a.m. Baby scales and IBCLC experts available. team@bfcaa.com, bfcaa.com

Huron Valley Parents of Multiples, 350 Woodland Dr., Saline. Support and activity group for current and expecting parents of twins and higher-order multiples. Twice annual Mom-to-Mom sale, regular and pop-up playdates, classified listings for baby/kid gear, parties and family events, and a private Facebook group. Dues \$40. membership@hvpom.org, hvpom.org

Mamas Network, 3909 Research Park Dr., ste. 400. Nonprofit support community that provides a space for parents of young children to connect and share experiences, along with free access to therapists, nutritionists, lactation consultants, and other resources. Hosts biweekly meetup for dads & kids (even day Sat.) and moms & kids (odd day Sat.) 9–11 a.m. hello@themamasnetwork.org, themamasnetwork.org

FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE

Ann Arbor Breakfast Optimist Club. Frank Fike, president, (734) 426–0643. Supports programs for Ann Arbor youth and helps families in need. Meets



Sarah Redman (left) and Emily Topham conduct a free beginner lesson for Swing Ann Arbor (Music, Dance, & Drama). Lessons cover the Lindy Hop, Charleston, Balboa, and more, and are followed by a social dance.

1st Wed. 8 a.m. at Alpha Koney Island (4389 Jackson Rd.). Dues \$115.

Ann Arbor Hadassah, 6960 Orchard Lake Rd., ste. 340, West Bloomfield 48322 (mailing). Open to Jewish women. Sponsors social, educational, advocacy, and fundraising programs to support projects worldwide. Dues \$36; lifetime membership \$250. greaterdetroit@hadassah.org, hadassah.org/chapter/ann-arbor

Ann Arbor Jaycees, PO Box 1866, AA 48108. (734) 531–9626. Leadership training, community service, networking, and social opportunities for ages 21–40. Volunteer opportunities range from one-day commitments to signature project committees. Monthly socials: game nights, happy hours, karaoke, and more. Meets 1st Thurs. 6:30 p.m., the NEW Center (1100 N. Main). Dues \$80. membership@a2jaycees.org, a2jaycees.org

Ann Arbor Lions Club. Service projects for groups related to vision, hearing, hunger, environment, diabetes, pediatric cancer, and many other local community needs. **Huron Valley Sunrise Lions Club (breakfast club)**, meets 3rd Thurs. 9 a.m. at Leo's Coney Island (3644 Carpenter).

Ann Arbor Moose Lodge 1253, 10160 Jackson Rd., Dexter. (734) 433–1132. Supports home placements for youth; active in community volunteer projects and raising money for charities that serve youth and seniors. Meets 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7 p.m. Dues \$55; \$20 to join. lodge1253@mooseunits.org, search Facebook for Ann Arbor Moose Lodge

Friends of the Ann Arbor District Library, 265 Parkland Plz. (734) 302–7774. Nonprofit organization that supports the library through advocacy and fundraising. Staffs the FAADL Book Shop at Parkland Plaza; open Sat. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. General membership \$25. faadl.org

James L. Crawford Elks Lodge No. 322 (IBPOE of W), 220 Sunset. (734) 761–7172. Holds regular meetings for men & women (Daughters of Daisy Chain Temple No. 212 members). Hosts live entertainment Thurs., Fri., & Sat. nights. a2elkslodge322@gmail.com, facebook.com/a2elks

Junior League of Ann Arbor, 1100 N. Main, ste. 114 (NEW Center). (734) 985–0429. A women's development organization committed to volunteerism and community change through civic engagement. Meets Sept.–May, 2nd Tues. 7 p.m. Dues \$160. info@jlaa.org, jlaa.org

Kiwanis, 100 N. Staebler. (734) 665–0450. Service organization helps children and families with grants via nonprofits and direct service projects. Sponsors weekly Thrift Sale at the Kiwanis Center, Fri. 9 a.m.–1 p.m. & Sat. 9 a.m.–3 p.m. Meets Mon. 11:45 a.m.–1:15 p.m. Member dues \$200 or volunteer without dues. dheidt@a2kiwanis.org, a2kiwanis.org

Masons: Ann Arbor York Rite. Three groups; all meet 3rd Mon. 7 p.m. at the Ypsilanti Masonic Temple (5752 Whittaker Rd., Ypsi). adavidge@umich.edu, aayorkrite.org. **Washtenaw Chapter No. 6, Royal Arch Masons**, founded in 1850 and open to Master Masons, expounds on the lessons taught in Masonic Lodges and completes the degrees received there. **Union Council No. 11, Royal & Select Masters**, founded in 1861, adds further details and moral lessons to the allegory of the degrees found in both

the Lodge and Chapter. **Ann Arbor Commandery No. 13, Knights Templar**, founded in 1865, is open to Royal Arch Masons of any Christian faith; works to support ecumenical fellowship, giving pastors the opportunity to visit the Holy Land, and supporting ocular research at the University of Michigan.

Masons: Ann Arbor-Fraternity Lodge No. 262, Free & Accepted Masons, PO Box 2064, AA 48106. (734) 985–0262. Over 170 years in Ann Arbor. Motto: “Making Good Men Better.” Builds community, provides relief to the needy, and encourages education. Meets 1st and 3rd Wed. 6 p.m. for dinner followed by 7 p.m. meeting, Zal Gaz Grotto (2070 W. Stadium). secretary@aaf262.org, aaf262.org

Masons: St. Mary's Lodge No. 4, Free & Accepted Masons, Prince Hall Affiliated. Building bridges in the Ann Arbor community since 1867. Serves children, adults, and families. Meets at James L. Crawford Elks Lodge (220 Sunset). Search Facebook for St. Mary's Lodge No. 4

Notre Dame Club of Ann Arbor. For alumni and friends of the University of Notre Dame. Sponsors scholarships and service opportunities, hosts student groups, performs community service, and engages in continuing education. Dues \$35, \$25 for senior citizens and alumni within 5 years of graduation, free for first-year alumni and alumni who are full-time local grad students; \$50 for family. annarborpresident@alumni.nd.edu, annarbor.undclub.org

Pittsfield Union Grange, 3337 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. 208 Murray, AA 48103 (mailing). Joan Hellmann, (734) 274–0773. Local chapter of state and national organization. Hosts Apple Day in fall, contra dances (3rd Sat.), and occasional family folk dances. Meets Sept.–Nov. & Jan.–June, 2nd Wed. 6:30 p.m. (potluck followed by program). info@pittsfieldgrange.org, pittsfieldgrange.org

Rotary Club. International organization for service-minded individuals. **Rotary Club of Ann Arbor** meets on Wed. noon, Michigan Union (530 S. State, Anderson Rm.). (734) 808–1615, admin-istrator@a2rotary.org, a2rotary.org. **Rotary Club of Ann Arbor North** meets 2nd and 4th Thurs. noon, Dixboro United Methodist Church (5221 Church St.). (734) 224–4130, rotaryclubaan@gmail.com, rcaan.org. **Rotary Club of Ann Arbor West** meets 1st, 3rd, & 5th Mon. 5:30 p.m., Legacy Financial (4420 Jackson Rd., ste. 102). (734) 887–6911, administrator@a2rotary.org, rotaryannarborwest.org

Zal Gaz Grotto, No. 34, 2070 W. Stadium. Pat Tesser, manager, (734) 663–1202. Est. 1911. Social and charitable club for members of the Masonic Fraternity. Live jazz and other public events each week. info@zalgaz.org, zalgaz.org

FLOWERS & GARDENING

Ann Arbor Bonsai Society. Promotes knowledge, appreciation, and the practice of the art of bonsai to members and general public through meetings, lectures, workshops, exhibitions, and publications. Lectures and demonstrations by foremost artists in the field, classes, workshops, and an annual show (usually 4th week of Aug.). Meets Feb.–Oct., 4th Wed. 7 p.m., Matthaei Botanical Gardens auditorium (1800

N. Dixboro Rd.). Dues \$30/year. aabonsaisociety@gmail.com, annarborbonsaisociety.org

Ann Arbor Farm & Garden, PO Box 354, Dexter 48130. Social and philanthropic group; raises money for local garden and environmental grants and scholarships. Leads regular flower therapy sessions at U-M hospitals, donates bouquets to Alpha House and Ronald McDonald House, and hosts annual Garden Walk 2nd Sat. in June. Meets Sept.–May, 2nd Thurs., Ann Arbor City Club (1830 Washtenaw Ave.). Annual dues \$45 plus \$40 (four discounted Garden Walk tickets). info@annarborfarmandgarden.org, annarborfarmandgarden.org

Ann Arbor Garden Club. Bonnie Ion, (734) 769–2015. Workshops and educational talks on home gardening. Members care for gardens at Matthaei Botanical Gardens and Cobblestone Farm. Meets Sept.–June and 2nd Sat. in Dec. for Annual Greens workshop, 10 a.m.–noon at Matthaei Greenhouse No. 3. Public welcome. Dues \$20. bion@umich.edu

Ann Arbor Good Thyme Garden Club. Marg Huang, margh50@yahoo.com. Monthly meetings with guest speakers about gardening, conservation, and horticulture, along with garden-related field trips. Members maintain gardens at Arbor Hospice. Meets 1st Thurs. 10 a.m. at Arbor Hospice (2366 Oak Valley Dr.). Guests welcome. Dues \$20.

Ann Arbor Ikebana International. Dedicated to the Japanese art of flower arranging and promoting friendship through flowers. Meetings include demonstration and workshop. Meets most months 3rd Thurs. 1–3 p.m. at Westminster Presbyterian Church (1500 Scio Church Rd.). \$25 for guests, \$20 for members of Ikebana International (includes flower and instructor fees). Preregister by email. a2ikebana@gmail.com, ikebanaannarbor.org

Ann Arbor Orchid Society. Meetings include guest speakers, show-and-tell, orchid plant and supply sales, and orchid raffle. Orchid Festival in mid-Nov. Meets Sept.–May (excluding Dec.), 3rd Sun. 2 p.m., Matthaei Botanical Gardens auditorium (1800 N. Dixboro Rd.). Beginners welcome. Dues: individuals & senior households, \$20; seniors age 70+, \$15; households, \$25. aaochidsociety@gmail.com, annarbororchidsociety.org

Project Grow Gardens, PO Box 130293, AA 48113. Provides the space, education, and inspiration to make organic gardening accessible for all. Facilitates garden plot rentals at 20+ sites in Ann Arbor. Several plot sizes (approximately 175–750 sq. ft.) and raised beds. Classes, plant sale, events, and volunteer opportunities. info@projectgrowgardens.org, project-growgardens.org

HOBBIES & GAMES

American Truck Historical Society (Southeastern Michigan Chapter). John Dresden III, (248) 752–3830. Free meetings feature a speaker and discussion with antique truck owners about finding parts in the area, the history of trucking, and local historical events. Meets Jan., Mar., May, July, Sept. & Nov., 3rd Tues. 7 p.m., usually at Washtenaw Farm Council Grounds (5055 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd.). National dues \$65 (includes six issues of *Wheels of Time*), additional \$15 for chapter. johndresden@att.net, aths.org

Ann Arbor Backyard Beekeepers, PO Box 1465, AA 48106. Holds discussions and presentations about beekeeping. Regular meetings 2nd Tues. 6:30 p.m., Matthaei Botanical Gardens (1800 N. Dixboro Rd.). Attend a meeting for free; membership \$20/year (\$15 student, \$25 family). a2b2club@gmail.com, a2b2club.org

Ann Arbor Brewers' Guild. Education about and appreciation of home-brewed beers, meads, and ciders. Meets 2nd Fri., 7:30 p.m., except July. Dues \$20. info@aabg.org, aabg.org

Ann Arbor Bridge Club. Ray Gentz, (734) 769–3994 (home), (734) 657–0549 (cell). Affiliated with American Contract Bridge League. All skill levels welcome, but players should have basic bidding/play knowledge and commit to playing the entire session (24 hands). Duplicate sanctioned. Snacks, coffee, and soda provided. Having a partner is recommended but not necessary. Meets Wed. from 7–10:30 p.m., Walden Hills clubhouse (2114 Pauline). \$6/meeting for regular games, \$7/meeting for charity games. ray62856@gmail.com, bridgeclubs.org

Ann Arbor Classics Book Group. Members choose selections from Peter Boxall's *1,001 Books You Must Read Before You Die*. Meets 3 p.m. 2nd or 3rd Sun. at Schuler's Books (2513 Jackson Ave., Westgate shopping center). All welcome to join. meetup.com/ann-arbor-classics-book-group

Ann Arbor French Conversation Group. French language social group. Meets Wed. 7–9 p.m. (via Zoom) and every other week in person at various locations around Ann Arbor. Everyone, from beginners to native French speakers, is welcome. Conversations are about anything and everything, and there is no agenda. ankitk@umich.edu

Ann Arbor Scrabble Group. Steve Lawrence, (734) 994-0084. Players of all abilities welcome. Game sets available. Tues. 5-9 p.m. at Corner Brewery (720 Norris, Ypsi). stevel800@mac.com, meetup.com/ann-arbor-scrabble-meetup

Ann Arbor Stamp Club. (734) 761-5859. Beginning and experienced stamp collectors meet 3rd Mon. Jan.-Oct. and 1st Mon. in Nov., Westminster Presbyterian Church (1500 Scio Church Rd.). Annual show 1st weekend of Nov., WCC Morris Lawrence Bldg. (4800 E Huron River Dr.) Visitors welcome. Dues \$5, families \$7. arbor@provide.net, annarborstampclub.org

Ann Arbor Tasters Guild/American Wine Society Chapter 37. (734) 995-1818. World's second-largest chapter of an international wine and food appreciation society. Membership includes 18 annual wine tastings and dinners; conventions, tours, and cruises; and subscriptions to *American Wine Society Journal* and the chapter's bimonthly newsletter. Dues \$64. villagecorner.com

Ann Arbor Wine Club. (734) 995-1818. A wine and food buyer's club with events every other month. Dues \$6 for electronic bimonthly newsletter, \$12 for print. winerat@villagecorner.com, villagecorner.com

Arrow Communication Association Amateur Radio Club. Edward Vielmetti, (734) 330-2465. Promotes amateur radio in Washtenaw County with amateur radio license classes and testing/radio communications for local events. Meets 3rd Tues. Visitors welcome. Dues \$20. info@w8rp.org, w8rp.org, groups.io/g/a2b3

The Barony of Cynnarbar (Society for Creative Anachronism). Recreates the Middle Ages and Renaissance (focusing on pre-17th century) with classes, demonstrations, and hands-on arts & crafts activities, including sewing, metal arts, and painting. Hosts St. Cecilia at the Tower each summer and A Grand Day of Tournaments each Oct. or Nov. cynnarbar.chatelaine@midrealm.org, cynnarbar.org

Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA), Chapter 333 (The Flying Stinkers), 4322 S. State. Eric Gettel, (810) 623-2571. For those interested in flying, building, and/or preserving aircraft for education and recreation. Restores and maintains Ann Arbor's historic terminal building on State Rd. Funds scholar-

ships for deserving candidates working toward a private pilot's license. Young Eagles and Eagle Flights are introductory airplane flights for youth and adults. Monthly program 2nd Tues. 7 p.m. and IMC Club flying scenario discussion 4th Tues. 7 p.m.; both meet at Ann Arbor Airport (801 Airport Dr.). Visitors welcome. Dues \$40 national, plus \$30 local chapter. ea333president@gmail.com, ea333.org

Huron Hills Lapidary and Mineral Society. Jan Esch, (734) 665-5574. Educational and recreational activities for all ages. Meets Sept.-May, 1st Thurs. 7 p.m., West Side United Methodist Church (900 S. Seventh). Dues \$15-\$20. dandjesch@comcast.net

Michigan Flippers Pinball. Holds pinball tournaments for International Flipper Association points and other prizes every other Sun., 5 p.m. Pinball Pete's (1214 South University; ask for Ryan at the glass desk). \$1 per game. ryanpjurado@gmail.com, michiganflippers.com

Toastmasters. International nonprofit organization empowering individuals to become more effective communicators and leaders. Guests welcome at weekly meetings. Semiannual dues, \$60. **Ann Arbor Toastmasters & Friends** meets Wed. 6:15-8 p.m., Northside Community Center (809 Taylor). Steven Cornell, president. annarbor.toastmastersclubs.org. **Huron Valley Toastmasters** meets 2nd & 4th Tues. 6:30 p.m., WCC Business Education Bldg. (4800 E. Huron River Dr.). huronvalley.toastmastersclubs.org. **Washtenaw Toastmasters** meets 1st & 3rd Thurs. 7-9 p.m., WCC Gunder Myran Bldg., rm. 318 (4800 E. Huron River Dr.). vypr@washtenawtoastmasters.org, washtenawtoastmasters.org

Ann Arbor Train and Trolley Watchers. Clark Charnetski (734) 761-3814, Steve Kindschy (517) 349-9163. Train lovers show slides and photographs and watch trains in action. Meets Jan.-May & Sept.-Nov., 3rd Fri. 7:30 p.m. camcharnet@aol.com

University Lowbrow Astronomers. Events hotline: (734) 975-3248. Free open house twice per month at the Peach Mountain Observatory (Stinchfield Woods, Dexter) on Sat. nights before and after the new moon (weather permitting, Mar.-Nov.). Guests learn about astronomy and constellations, and look through the McMath 24-inch Cassegrain telescope and members' own instruments. Children welcome. Meets 3rd

Fri. 7:30 p.m., U-M Detroit Observatory (1398 E. Ann). Dues \$30, students and members age 55+ \$20. askthelowbrows@umich.edu, lowbrows.org

MUSIC, DANCE, & DRAMA

Ann Arbor Area Piano Teachers. (734) 834-6236. Subchapter of Music Teachers National Association. Regular events include professional development workshops, student recitals, master classes, performer's group, student evaluation programs, and networking. a2pianoteachers.com

The Ann Arbor Celtic Harpers, c/o Carol Kappus, 9703 Island Lake Rd., Dexter 48130 (mailing). (734) 424-9039. Informal club of people interested in the Celtic harp meets a few times per year to share and play music. Holds concerts around the Midwest and brings international Celtic harp performers to Ann Arbor. carolkappus.com

Ann Arbor Chapter of the American Guild of Organists, 1867 Emerson, Ypsi 48198 (mailing). Since 1969. Concerts, workshops, and lectures for professional and amateur organists, choir directors, organ enthusiasts, and music lovers. Dues \$127; disabled and seniors age 65+ \$102; young organists (age 29 & under) and students \$67 (includes online/print subscription to monthly publication, *The American Organist*). webadmin@annarborago.org, annarborago.org

Ann Arbor Civic Chorus. (734) 994-2300, ext. 53203. Director Karen TenBrink. Offered through Ann Arbor Public Schools Rec & Ed department and open to all. Performs a wide variety of musical selections, from classical and folk to world music, jazz and musical theater. Rehearsals Mon. evenings with two concerts per year and many optional community singing events. No auditions. a2civicchorus@gmail.com, a2civicchorus.weebly.com

Ann Arbor Community of Traditional Music and Dance, 4531 Concourse. (734) 761-2576. Dedicated to traditional music, dance, song, and related arts. Sponsors about 100 events yearly, most with live music and dance, including contra, English country, Morris, swing, and fusion. Most events are preceded by a beginner lesson. No partner necessary. Dues \$16, families \$25. info@aactmad.org, aactmad.org

Ann Arbor Festival of Song. Concerts, recitals, and lectures devoted to art song and vocal chamber music by local and visiting professional and student singers. Presents annual song festival in July at Kerrytown Concert House. a2fos.org

Ann Arbor Grail Singers. This 20-voice women's choir performs Renaissance, Medieval, and Baroque music a cappella and with instrumental accompaniment. Rehearsals Tues. 7 p.m., Sept.-May, West Side United Methodist Church (900 S. Seventh). Dues \$50. Email for audition. annarborgrailsingers@gmail.com, annarborgrailsingers.org

Ann Arbor Morris. Sam Nola, (734) 717-1569. English performance/recreational dance group. Practice Sun. 6-8 p.m. (contact before attending). Meets weekly Oct.-Apr. at Concourse Hall (4531 Concourse); May-Sept. site varies. No dues. a2morris@umich.edu, annarbormorris.org

Ann Arbor Recorder Society. Sindi Keesan, (914) 236-6123. Director Janet Cannon. A chapter of the American Recorder Society. Welcomes amateur recorder players and players of other early instruments with music reading skills. June concert of Renaissance and Baroque music and spring early music workshop with a guest instructor. Meets 2nd Mon. Sept.-June, 7-9 p.m., Zion Lutheran Church (1501 W. Liberty). Annual dues \$95; first meeting free. sindikeesan@fastmail.fm, a2recordersociety.org

Ann Arbor Sacred Harp. M. Toon, (734) 478-3394 or (734) 995-2519. Devoted to the practice of shape-note singing, an early American form of communal hymn singing. All voices and experience levels welcome. Usually meets 2nd Sun. 1-4 p.m. cawolfe@umich.edu

Ann Arbor Society for Musical Arts (SMA), 1830 Washtenaw Ave. (Ann Arbor City Club). (734) 995-4417. Presents 3 instrumental music concerts in the fall and 3 in the spring. Sponsors competitions for young musicians. info@annarborsma.org, annarbor-sma.org

Ann Arbor Storytellers' Guild, PO Box 1733, AA 48106. Story sharing at monthly meeting, 4th Sunday, 2 p.m. at Schuler Books (2513 Jackson Ave.). Free; visitors welcome. Also produces story events and workshops throughout the year. Dues \$20, \$30 family. annarborstorytelling.org

The Arbor Consort. Official madrigal singing group of the Michigan Renaissance Festival. Performs a cappella Renaissance songs and Christmas carols in small ensembles in period costumes in Aug., Sept., and Dec. Members provide their own costumes (loaners available for newcomers). Open rehearsals Mar.-Dec., every Wed. 7:30 p.m., Dixboro United Methodist Church (5221 Church St.). No dues. president@thearborconsort.org, thearborconsort.org

Ballroom Dance Club at the University of Michigan, Michigan League (911 North University) or Michigan Union (530 S. State). Ballroom and Latin dance lesson followed by open dancing. No partner necessary. All skill levels welcome. Meets most Sun. 6-9 p.m. Drop-in fee, \$5 (includes an hour lesson and two hours of open dance). Semester student and non-student memberships available. bdc-inquiry@umich.edu, ballroomdance.club

Burns Park Players, 1414 Wells. Jeffrey Post, (734) 476-8326. Neighborhood adult theater group incorporates children grades 1-5 of the Burns Park School into its cast for its annual Feb. musical production, a benefit for AAPS performing arts enrichment programs. jlutherpost@gmail.com, burnsparkplayers.org

The Comic Opera Guild, PO Box 1922, AA 48106. (734) 973-3264. Local and touring company stages classical musical theater, often in new performing versions, and records early Broadway musicals and rare operas/opereettas. Open auditions for soloists and chorus. comicoperaguild@gmail.com, comic-operaguild.org

Detroit Irish Music Association (DIMA). Preserves and promotes traditional Irish music, song, dance, and language in Michigan through classes, workshops, concerts, and sessions. Classes for adults and children at all skill levels in various traditional instruments. Meets Sept.-May, Thurs. 7 p.m. at the Lodge at Grace Ann Arbor North (3100 Glazier Way). contact@detroitirishmusic.org, detroitirishmusic.org

Etcetera. (734) 355-2715. 7-member song-and-dance troupe performs lively musical revues of standards with stylized staging, comedy bits, costumes, and props. Performs throughout lower Michigan. Email for audition information. annebau@hotmail.com

Huron Valley Harmonizers. (734) 796-7467. Open to all people who love to sing, this award-winning a cappella chorus performs contemporary, doo-wop, and barbershop music at community events. All ages welcome, but call ahead or check website. Meets weekly when not performing, Tues. 7 p.m., Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth (704 Airport Blvd.). info@hvharmonizers.org, hvharmonizers.org

Measure for Measure, PO Box 2938, AA 48106. (734) 649-1100. Conductor Steven Lorenz. 80-voice

Flower Ladies

Bringing joy to Mott Children's Hospital, one bouquet at a time.

“We are making these flowers for my brother,” a girl about eight years old tells me. “He’s having brain surgery right now,” she adds, tapping her forehead.

She, along with her sister and pregnant mother, is immersed in Flower Therapy at the Jones Family Center at Michigan Medicine’s C.S. Mott Children’s Hospital. Around them, tables are laden with blooms: bundles of soft yellow and orange tulips, dark red roses, piles of fragrant eucalyptus, perky white-fringed daisies, and carnations dyed every color possible. The girls each choose a foil-wrapped can, add their favorite flowers, and tie on bright ribbons for their brother.

Flower Therapy at Mott Hospital, the oldest activity of the Ann Arbor Farm & Garden Association, started in the 1950s. The program has always been entirely staffed by volunteers, with flowers donated by local grocery stores, florists, and a flower farm.

“Flower Therapy is by far the most rewarding volunteer work I’ve ever done,” says chair Karen Mikus, who’s been volunteering with the program for ten years. “We always leave with our hearts lighter and smiles on our faces, even when very sick child patients have made bouquets that day.”

When I joined AAF&G in 2018, I knew I wanted to be one of the “Flower Ladies,” as they are affectionately called. One of our newest volunteers, Mary Greener, joined after her nephew was hospitalized repeatedly. She brought him flowers whenever she visited, and says they “brought joy and life to his room.” After his untimely death, she looked into

whether there were any programs that involved flowers for patients. Ours was the perfect fit.

On days that are often scary, painful, and uncertain, Flower Therapy gives patients and their families a few minutes of comfort. Child patients, some in wheelchairs and attached to IV poles, create arrangements alongside other children there for presurgery visits, difficult tests, and procedures. Parents, grandparents, and siblings can relax among beautiful, fragrant flowers and make bouquets for themselves, hospitalized loved ones, or a favorite hospital staffer. Even toddlers can make a simple bouquet.

For the past year, Flower Therapy has also been offered on the ninth floor of the Von Voigtlander Women’s Hospital for women with high-risk pregnancies. These women often need to be hospitalized for months; Flower Therapy is an opportunity to chat with others going through the same isolating, anxiety-filled experience. Their partners and nurses make bouquets for those who can’t leave their rooms.

I have not been disappointed with my aspiration to be a “Flower Lady.” Each month I meet new children with their families and hear them say things like “This was our best time here today” or “This was my favorite part of our hospital stay.” Recently, I spent



Sarah Amaya and her children Joseph (left) and Lydia, appreciate a bouquet created with the help of the Ann Arbor Farm & Garden Association’s “Flower Ladies” (Flowers & Gardening).

some time with a new mom from Grand Rapids who made a colorful bouquet for her four-month-old daughter. The infant had just had a second open heart surgery and has never been able to leave the hospital.

“I’m giving my daughter her first roses,” her mother said.

AAF&G welcomes new members and is always looking for Flower Therapy volunteers. For more information, visit annarbor-farmandgarden.org.

—Nancy Leon

Groups & Clubs

men's choral society performs in Michigan and the Midwest 6-8 times a year. Rehearses Sun. 6:30-8:30 p.m., St. Luke Lutheran Church (4205 W. Washtenaw Ave.). Auditions in Jan. & Sept. Visitors welcome. info@measure-for-measure.org, measure-for-measure.org

Michigan Argentine Tango Club. Michigan Union, rm. 2401. 8-week lessons and practice series, beginners through intermediate. No partner or experience necessary. Lessons Wed. 7-9 p.m. First-time attendee dues (for 8 weeks): students \$46, others \$93. Practice sessions Mon. 2-5 p.m. \$10 (students, free). Discounts on classes for members. Drop-ins welcome. matctango@umich.edu, sites.google.com/umich.edu/matctango

Michigan Sinfonietta. 431 Sommerset. (734) 223-0462. Professional chamber orchestra performs for organizations throughout Michigan, including choral groups, ballet companies, theaters, and churches. greggpowellmusic@gmail.com

Out Loud Chorus. PO Box 7107, AA 48107. (734) 265-0740. Educational, performance, and social group. Based in LGBTQ+ community, but open to all; many ability levels welcome. Meets Sept.-May, Mon. 7-9:30 p.m., First United Methodist Church of Ypsilanti (209 Washtenaw Ave., Ypsi). outloudchorus@gmail.com, olconline.org

Regenerate! Orchestra. Experimental ambient-folk-noise orchestra that puts on shows called "immersions." Open to musicians of any level and nonmusicians. jclay.gonzalez@gmail.com, theregenerateorchestra.com

Ring of Steel Action Theatre. 3907 Varsity (Ring Star Studios). (734) 320-1147. Swordplay, fencing, and stunt classes for all ages. Training in theater and film stunt work. Hosts summer camps, demonstrations, workshops, and lectures. Performs at schools, fairs, parties, and other events. Provides choreography, design, and props. info@ringofsteel.org, ringofsteel.org

Sole Full of Rhythm. 4569 Washtenaw Ave. Sara Randazzo, (734) 477-9350. Company of professional tap dancers and students perform in various schools, clubs, concerts, and festivals. Workshops for all levels; annual concert. solefullofrythm@me.com, solefullofrythm.dance

Stark Raving MADrigals. Informal group for singers. Uses *The A Cappella Singer*. No auditions; rehearsals, performances, and attendance are optional. Meets periodically June-Aug. srms2020@outlook.com

Swing Ann Arbor. Swing dancing every Wed. No partner or experience needed. All ages welcome. Free beginner lesson 6:30-7:30 p.m. Social dance 7:30-9:30 p.m. \$5 or free if you attend beginner lesson. Progressive classes offered in Lindy Hop, Charleston, Balboa, and more. swingannarbor@gmail.com, swingannarbor.com

Thurston Community Players. 2951 Sheffield Ct. Since 1974. Produces an original musical production with local themes each year. As many as 250 people from the Thurston neighborhood, from kindergartners to senior citizens, participate as actors, stage crew, and other roles. The show is typically the 3rd weekend in March, held at Huron High School auditorium. Proceeds go to area schools. thurstonplayers@gmail.com, thurstonplayers.org

U-M Gilbert & Sullivan Society. 911 North University (Michigan League). (734) 647-8436. University students and community members perform the operettas of Gilbert and Sullivan at Lydia Mendelssohn Theatre (911 North University). umgass@umich.edu, umgass.org

University Musical Society Choral Union. 881 North University. (734) 763-8997. Director Scott Hanoian. Chorus of 175 voices performs locally, including Handel's *Messiah* in Dec., and with the Detroit, Toledo, and Ann Arbor symphonies. Auditions in spring and fall. ums@choralunion.org

Vocal Arts Ensemble of Ann Arbor. (715) 218-7952, (734) 323-6659. Premier chamber choir of 24-30 singers performs a cappella and accompanied works of various styles, from Renaissance to contemporary, 4-5 times per year. Frequently collaborates with other professional singers, instrumental ensembles, actors, and dancers; often commissions new works. Call or email through website for audition. vocalartsannarbor.org

Voices in Harmony Chorus. (734) 765-3611. 40-member women's a cappella chorus. All ages and skill levels welcome, no formal auditions. Meets Tues. 7-9:30 p.m., UAW Local 898 Hall (8975 Textile, Ypsi). Free to visitors; monthly dues for those who join. info@voicesinharmonychorus.org, singwithus.org

Washtenaw Chorale. An auditioned mixed-voice choir that performs a wide repertoire of contemporary



MARK BIALEK

Steve Cheng explains why 17th-century violins sound amazing to a crowd at Nerd Nite (Social Groups). At these "informative yet informal" events, experts share presentations about topics that spark their interest.

and classical choral works 2 times per year (typically in Apr. & Dec.). Dues \$125 (new members, \$100) per season. Email for auditions. director.washtenawchorale@gmail.com, washtenawchorale.org

The Willis C. Patterson Our Own Thing Chorale. PO Box 2439, AA 48106. (734) 769-4437. Ensemble performs spirituals and the music of African American composers and arrangers. Rehearsals mid-Sept.-June, Wed. 7 p.m., Church of the Good Shepherd (2145 Independence). Dues \$70, students \$15. janet@ourownthing.org, ourownthing.org

Women's Chamber Chorus. Ann Ringia, (734) 834-6895. An alto & soprano chorus that performs an eclectic mix of music from classical to folk to pop. No auditions. Rehearses Sept.-Apr./May (except Labor Day), Mon. 9:30-11:30 a.m., First Presbyterian Church (1432 Washtenaw Ave.). Dues \$175/semester. annringia@gmail.com

RELIGION & SPIRITUALITY

Ann Arbor Dianetics Group. 416 W. William. Laurie Gailunas, (734) 218-5383. Interdenominational weekly study group focuses on Dianetics and Scientology. Meets Tues. 7-9 p.m. gailunas@comcast.net

Ann Arbor Kirtan. Dennis Chernin, (734) 476-2621. Volunteers sing Sanskrit mantras and play Indian and western instruments such as tabla, harmonium, cello, and violin, to facilitate the bhakti and nada yoga practice of call-and-response chanting. Bimonthly, donation-based, and open to all. kirtanannarbor.org

Community Bible Study. 2065 S. Wagner (Knox Presbyterian Church). Holly Blais, (214) 766-0739. All-ages interdenominational Bible study group with a focus on Psalms offers classes Sept.-early May. Women's group meets virtually and in person Tues., 9:15-11:15 a.m. Coed group meets virtually only, Tues., 7-8:30 p.m. hnbais@verizon.net, annarbor.cbsclass.org

Dances of Universal Peace (Sufi Dancing). Interactive spiritual circle dances accompanied by live music, along with guided chants and walks. Offered seasonally at Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth (704 Airport Blvd.). Led by Susan Slack. No partner needed. Donations appreciated. peaceinacircle@gmail.com, dancesofuniversalpeace.org

First Friends. Carole Pawloski, (734) 645-4960. Discussion on religious and current topics in an ecumenical environment. Monthly social events. Open to all. Meets Sept.-May, Sun. 11 a.m.-noon, First Presbyterian Church (1432 Washtenaw Ave.). cpawloski@umich.edu, firstpresbyterian.org

Interfaith Round Table of Washtenaw County. PO Box 3653, AA 48106. (734) 424-1535. Focuses on helping to eradicate misconceptions, misinformation, and prejudice across the religious and spiritual landscape through educational events, conversation cafés, forums, public celebrations, youth functions, dinners, and music events. interfaithwashtenaw@gmail.com, irtwc.org

Jewish Federation of Greater Ann Arbor. 2939 Birch Hollow. (734) 677-0100. Provides and inspires philanthropic leadership and community building to nurture a strong, engaged, connected, caring, vibrant, and enduring community locally and around the world. info@jewishannarbor.org, jewishannarbor.org

open to the public. Free for students; fees vary for community members. michiganhillel@umich.edu, michiganhillel.org

Temple Beth Emeth. 2309 Packard. (734) 665-4744. Men's and women's Torah study, weekly services, programs, and events. Seasonal courses with local university scholars, adult bar/bat mitzvah, Biblical and conversational Hebrew. templebethemeth.org

Women's Ministries. 100 Arbana (Salvation Army Citadel). Major Brian Goodwill, (734) 668-8353. For women age 16 and older. Meet most Thurs. 5-6 p.m. for crafts, Bible study, games, outings, outreach, field trips, or guest speakers. emi.annarbor@usc.salvationarmy.org, centralusa.salvationarmy.org/washtenaw

SOCIAL GROUPS

Ann Arbor City Club. 1830 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 662-3279. Member-owned organization established in 1951. Provides charitable, social, educational, cultural, and service opportunities. Fine dining, business networking, lectures, art classes, trips, bridge, event opportunities, an annual classic car show, and flea market. info@annarborcityclub.org, annarborcityclub.org

Ann Arbor Schwaben Verein. (734) 954-0281. German American social club assists members monetarily in times of sickness and death, and actively supports and maintains members' German heritage. Hosts annual Bockbierfest in spring and Kirchweihfest in winter. Meets 1st & 3rd Tues. at Hathaway's Hideaway (310 S. Ashley). Guests welcome.

German Park Recreational Club. 5549 Pontiac Tr. (734) 769-0048. Hosts public picnics with traditional German foods, beer, wine, and beverages, and a dance band at its 20-acre park club on the last Sat. of June, July, and Aug. Active and prospective members participate in work sessions and parties throughout the year. germanpark.com

International Neighbors. Connects American and international women from more than 80 countries through friendship and cultural exchange. More than 30 small groups, including English conversation, hiking, reading, language, cooking, and others. Monthly International Day 3rd Thurs. at Zion Lutheran Church (1501 W. Liberty). All programs free, non-commercial, nonpolitical, and nonreligious. English is not necessary to participate. info@international-neighbors.org, inannarbor.org

Jewish Community Center of Greater Ann Arbor. 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 971-0990. Open to all, guided by Jewish values. Activities, classes, and programs for all ages, including visual and performing arts, culture, education, and current issues. Fees vary. jcc@jccannarbor.org, jccannarbor.org

LezRead Ann Arbor. Book club for queer women, reading fiction, nonfiction, and poetry by queer authors. Meets online 4th Sun. 4-6 p.m. kerene.moore@gmail.com, a2lezread.tumblr.com

Nerd Nite Ann Arbor. Monthly event where locals give 18-21-minute fun-yet-informative presentations across all disciplines while the audience enjoys a beverage. nerdnitea2@gmail.com, annarbor.nerdnite.com

Newcomers & Neighbors of Ann Arbor. This longstanding social club welcomes people in the Ann Arbor area seeking new friendships. Monthly luncheons, book clubs, a documentary film group, a wise woman discussion group, and a movie group. jane.greenel@icloud.com

Society of Les Voyageurs. 411 Longshore. (734) 662-1553. Established in 1907, this independent co-ed society sponsors Sunday dinners during the school year, often followed by environmental education and outdoor-themed talks or activities. U-M students may be voted in as active members; others with an educational or vocational passion for the outdoors are invited as associates. maizepages.umich.edu/organization/societyoflesvoyageurs

Temple Beth Emeth (Social Groups). 2309 Packard. (734) 665-4744. Groups open to the public include book clubs, cultural outings, and dinners; Families with Young Children is for Jewish families with children age 5 and under. tbe@templebethemeth.org, templebethemeth.org

Twenties and Thirties in Ann Arbor (T2A2). 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (First Presbyterian Church). (734) 662-4466. Progressive, politically diverse, and multi-faith respectful group of young adults. facebook.com/fpc.t2a2

U of M Club of Ann Arbor. Awards scholarships to Washtenaw County students attending U-M and athletic scholarships including a football scholarship; supports a basketball student manager and the general athletic scholarship fund. U-M football and basketball coaches appear weekly during their seasons, along with the coach of another varsity team. Meets Aug.-Apr. Mon. 11 a.m., Weber's Inn (3050 Jackson Rd.). Membership \$60; \$20 youth (ages 12-18). Guests may attend up to 3 meetings. uofmclubaa@gmail.com, uofmclubofannarbor.com

Washtenaw Wanderers Walking Club. Rob Weaver, (616) 745-9627. Affiliated with the American Volkssport Association. Walks 1-2 times per month for fun, fitness, and friendship. Family-friendly, noncompetitive. 5K and 10K routes available for persons of all ages and abilities. \$4 fee per walk. washtenawwanderer@gmail.com, facebook.com/washtenawwanderers

TECHNOLOGY

All Hands Active. 255 E. Liberty, ste. 225. Maker-space/do-it-yourself workshop with tools, classes, and workspace. info@allhandsactive.org, allhandsactive.org, meetup.com/allhandsactive (event listings)

Ann Arbor Bi Bim Bop (a2b3). Edward Vielmetti, (734) 330-2465. People involved with technology exchange information and opportunities. Meets Wed., 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., at various Ann Arbor restaurants. edward.vielmetti@gmail.com, groups.io/g/a2b3

Ann Arbor New Tech Meetup. 330 E. Liberty, 48104. (734) 761-9317. Local professionals pitch startup ideas, demonstrate new technologies, receive feedback, and connect with others in the ecosystem. Hosts a monthly happy hour with presentations, followed by Q&A and networking. Meets 3rd Tues. 5:30 p.m., Bamboo (301 W. Washington). meetup.com/a2newtech

GDG Ann Arbor. Members discuss Google-related programming topics, present projects, and offer tutorials. Welcomes all skill levels. Meets occasionally at Cahoots (206 E. Huron St.). meetup.com/gdg-a2

Maker Works. 3765 Plaza Dr. (734) 222-4911. 14,000-square-foot member-based workshop (wood, metal, craft, jewelry, and electronics projects) for artists, makers, hobbyists, small businesses, entrepreneurs, and tradespeople. Individual membership \$45/day, \$110/month, \$1,100/year; students, veterans, teachers \$60/month, \$600/year; 10 visit/year punch card membership, \$300. frontdesk@maker-works.com, maker-works.com

Michigan Amateur Robotics Society. Keith McClary, (734) 332-1000. Open to engineering professionals, hobbyists, teachers, STEM mentors, and students of all levels with an interest in robotic construction, education, or competition. Monthly and special additional meetings free and open to all. acti@provide.net

Tech-Inclusive. Dedicated to fostering professional growth for underrepresented people in tech and empowering allies to become advocates. Helps companies and individuals create an inclusive, supportive community, and provide low-barrier, safe learning opportunities and networking events. Meets 3rd Sat. 10 a.m., Cahoots (206 E. Huron). ronda@tech-inclusive.com, meetup.com/tech-inclusive

WRITING

Emerging Writers. 2503 Jackson Ave. (AADL Westgate). (734) 327-4200. Offers support and advice for local writers. Local editor Alex Kourvo and young adult novelist Bethany Neal, occasionally joined by guest writers and publishing experts, host a monthly workshop (usually 1st Mon.) on a variety of topics, followed 2 weeks later by a meetup where Kourvo and Neal review samples of work and offer advice and assistance in a casual, supportive atmosphere. ask@aadl.org, aadl.org/taxonomy/term/119632

Religion

A comprehensive guide to area churches, synagogues, temples, and religious fellowships. Only regular worship services are listed.

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T — Transportation service available

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AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL

Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, 900 John A. Woods Dr. (734) 663-3800. Est. 1857. Pastor Mashod Evans. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. office@bethelameannarbor.org, bethelameannarbor.org

AMERICAN BAPTIST

First Baptist Church of Ann Arbor (FBCA2), 517 E. Washington. (734) 663-9376. Interim pastor Rev. Rick Mixon. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. office@fbca2.org, fbca2.org ☺

APOSTOLIC

New Apostolic Church, 4844 Jackson Rd., ste. 200. (517) 936-3970. Est. 2018. Minister Ryan Tietsema. Sun. 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m. nac-usa.org

Solid Rock Church of Ann Arbor, 3823 N. Dixboro Rd. (734) 845-9955. Est. 1994. Pastor Kyle Turner. Membership: 300. Sun. 10:30 a.m., Mon. & Wed. 7 p.m. admin@srcannarbor.com, srcannarbor.com

Solid Rock City Church, 423 S. Fourth Ave. (734) 415-8824. Est. 2022. Pastor Nathaniel Burmeister. Membership: 75. Sun. 2:30 p.m. srcitychurch@gmail.com, solidrockcity.org T

APOSTOLIC PENTECOSTAL

New Grace Apostolic Temple, 2898 Packard. (734) 477-6888. Est. early 1940s. Suffragan Bishop Avery Dumas III, pastor. Sun. 11:30 a.m. in person/online. Wed. 6:30 p.m. Bible study. themail@newgrace.org, newgrace.org T

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

Ann Arbor Assembly of God, 2455 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 769-4157. Est. 1945. Pastor Phil Eliason. Sun. 10:15 a.m. in person/online. office.susan@a3og.com, a3og.com T

H2O Campus Church, 915 E. Washington, 4th fl. amphitheater (U-M Rackham Bldg.). (734) 883-3605. A Chi Alpha Campus Ministry. Est. 2003. Pastor Nino Guarisco. Membership: 60. Sun. 11:11 a.m. info.h2ocampuschurch@gmail.com, h2ocampuschurch.com

Summit International Assembly of God, 2118 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. (734) 330-0294. Est. 2002. Pastor Michael Byrum. Membership: 50. Sun. 10:30 a.m. summitannarbor@gmail.com

BAHÁ'Í

Bahá'í Center of Washtenaw County, 5550 Morgan, Ypsilanti. (734) 528-1919. Sun. 10 a.m. devotions, followed by fellowship and refreshments. All faiths welcome. bahaicenter-washtenawcounty.org

BAPTIST

ABC: American Baptist Churches, USA; NBC: National Baptist Convention, USA; SBC: Southern Baptist Convention



Ann Arbor Baptist Church, 2150 S. Wagner. (734) 995-5144. Est. 1979. Pastor Jonathan Barber. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. aabaptist.church T

Ann Arbor Chinese Christian Church (SBC), 1750 Dhu Varren. (734) 668-9128. Est. 1981. Pastor Dennis Wong. Membership: 150. Sun. 9:30 a.m. (Mandarin), 9:30 a.m. (English). aaccadmin@gmail.com, aacc.org

Briarwood Church, 7950 Warren Rd. (919) 451-7952. Est. 1973. Pastor Todd Weber. Sun. 11 a.m. pastor.todd.weber@gmail.com, briarwood-church.org

Crossroads Community Baptist Church, 2580 Packard. (734) 971-0773. Est. 1952. Senior pastor Nolan Cocke. Sun. 9:30 a.m. (English with ASL interpreter), noon (Spanish), & 2 p.m. (Japanese). office@crossroadsa2.org, crossroadsa2.org

Joyful Church of Ann Arbor, 3823 N. Dixboro Rd. (248) 330-2891. Sun. 11 a.m. & 2 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m., Sat. 7 a.m. joyful.annarbor@gmail.com, joyfulannarbor.org

New Hope Baptist Church (NBC), 218 Chapin. (734) 994-4620. Est. 1965. Rev. Rodrick K. Green. Membership: 700. Sun. 11 a.m. in person/online. Wed. 6:30 p.m. Bible study (online only). newhopeaa218@gmail.com, nhbc-aa.org T

New Progressive Missionary Baptist Church, 5055 Platt. (734) 973-2740. Est. 1986. Pastor Keith D. Wilson Sr. Membership: 80. Sun. 10:15 a.m. npmbc1@gmail.com, npmbcannarbor.com

Northside Community Church (ABC), 929 Barton. (734) 662-6351. Est. 1956. Copastors Rev. Terence McGinn & Rev. Sheree Gidcomb Clark. Membership: 60. Sun. 10 a.m. service with Sunday School immediately before. northsidecommunitya2@gmail.com, ncca2.org

Second Baptist Church of Ann Arbor (ABC), 850 Red Oak. (734) 663-9369. Est. 1859. Lead pastor Dr. Steven J. Daniels Sr. Membership: 500. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. info@sb-caa.org, sbcaa.org T

St. Paul Missionary Baptist Church (NBC), 3630 Platt. (734) 971-7801. Est. 1960. Rev.

Rev. Drs. Deborah Dean-Ware and Michele Burrell pastor the Church of the Good Shepherd, a multiracial, LGBTQ-affirming congregation (United Church of Christ).

Maurice Gordon. Sun. 11 a.m. stpaulmbcaa@gmail.com, stpaulmbcaa.org

BIBLE

Grace Bible Church, 1300 S. Maple. (734) 663-0589. Est. 1939. Pastor Tyson Lemke. Membership: 1,600. Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., & 11:30 a.m. (GraceKids classes held simultaneously). gbc@gracea2.org, gracea2.org

Korean Bible Church of Ann Arbor, 4220 Packard. (734) 707-7272. Est. 1983. Pastor Kim Seok-Hyeon. Sun. 11 a.m. (Korean). gratekj@gmail.com, koreanbiblechurch.net

Washtenaw Independent Bible Church. (734) 996-1384. Est. 1980. Sun. 10 a.m., 11 a.m., & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. at area locations (call for directions). van@parunak.com, cyber-chapel.org

BUDDHIST

Insight Meditation Ann Arbor, 180 Little Lake, ste. 1. Est. 2012. Membership: 50-75. In-person sitting Sun. 10 a.m.; online sittings weekdays at 7:30 a.m. and Sat. at 10 a.m. info@insightmeditationannarbor.org, insight-meditationannarbor.org ☺

Jewel Heart Tibetan Buddhist Learning Center, 1129 Oak Valley Dr. (734) 994-3387. Est. 1988. Spiritual director Demo Rinpoche. Membership: 350 locally, 600 worldwide. Online/on-site guided meditations Sun. 9:30 a.m. Public talks Sun. 11 a.m. annarbor@jewelheart.org, jewelheart.org/chapters/ann-arbor ☺

Jissoji Zen (Japanese Soto Zen), 210 Little Lake, ste. 7 (Center for Sacred Living). (248) 202-3102. Est. 2016. in the lineage of Shunryu Suzuki of *Zen Mind, Beginner's Mind*, founder of San Francisco Zen Center. Rev. Marta Dabis. Sun. 11 a.m. in person/online. Email at least 12

hours in advance for Zoom link. jissojizen@gmail.com, jissojizen.org ☺

Karma Thegsum Chöling (Tibetan), 614 Miner. Est. 1978. Founder Khenpo Karthar Rinpoche. Local teacher Lama Nancy Burks. Meditation and sadhana practice Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online; meditation and discussion Wed. 7 p.m. in person/online. annarbortc.org ☺

Karuna Buddhist Center, 423 S. Fourth Ave., upper rm. (Bethlehem United Church of Christ). (734) 649-2127. Est. 2022. Membership: 40. Teachings, workshops, meditation. Sat. 10:30 a.m. (tranquility & compassion meditation), noon (program). lamancy@karuna-buddhistcenter.org, karunabuddhistcenter.org ☺

Still Mountain Buddhist Meditation Center, 1955 Pauline, ste. 100 (Harmony in Motion). Meditation, sharing, dharma talks, discussions, and socialization. Sun. 10 a.m. meeting in person/online. stillmountainmeditation.org ☺

Zen Buddhist Temple, 1214 Packard. (734) 761-6520. Est. 1981. Rev. Haju Sunim and Rev. Maum. Membership: 120. Sun. 10 a.m. annarborzentemple@gmail.com, zenbuddhist-temple.org ☺

CATHOLIC

Christ the King Catholic Church, 4000 Ave Maria. (734) 665-5040. Est. 1981. Fr. Ed Frider. Weekend Masses Sat. 4:30 p.m., Sun. 9 a.m. (in person/online) & 11 a.m. Weekday Masses Mon. 6:45 a.m., Tues. & Thurs. noon, Wed. 7 p.m., Fri. 5:30 p.m. info@ctkcc.net, ctkcc.net

Old St. Patrick Church, 5671 Whitmore Lake Rd. (734) 662-8141. Est. 1831. Fr. Thomas Wasilewski. Membership: 375 families. Weekend Masses 1st Sat. 9 a.m., Sat. 4 p.m.; Vigil Sun. 8 & 10:30 a.m. Weekday Masses Wed., Thurs., & Fri. 8:30 a.m. (May-Aug.),

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Tues. 7 p.m., Wed. & Fri. 8:15 a.m., Thurs. 8:30 a.m. (Sept.–Apr.). info@stpatricka2.org, stpatricka2.org

St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2250 E. Stadium. (734) 821–2100. Est. 1950. Pastor Fr. James Conlon. Membership: 2,800 families. Weekend Masses Sat. 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. (Spanish), Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. (in person/online), 12:30 p.m., & 5 p.m. Weekday Masses Mon.–Fri. 9:15 a.m. parishoffice@stfrancis.org, stfrancisa2.org

St. Mary Student Parish, 331 Thompson. (734) 663–0557. Catholic Campus ministry at U-M. Est. 1924. Fr. Kyle Shinseki, S.J. Average weekend attendance: 1,800 people. Weekend Masses Sat. 5 p.m., Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m., noon, 2 p.m. (Spanish), 5 p.m., and (during school year) 8 p.m. Weekday Masses Mon.–Thurs. 5:10 p.m.; Fri. 12:10 p.m. michigancatholic.org

St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 530 Elizabeth. (734) 761–8606. Est. 1845. Pastor Fr. William Ashbaugh. Membership: 1,915 families. Weekend Masses Sat. 4:30 p.m., Sun. 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (ASL interpreted for the deaf community on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Sun., 11:30 a.m. (Extraordinary Form), 2 p.m. (Arabic, 4th Sun.), & 6 p.m. (contemporary worship). Weekday Masses 7 a.m., 8 a.m. (during academic year), 9 a.m. (Sat. only), & noon (no noon Mass on Mon.). frontdesk@sta2.org, sta2.org/church

CHRISTADELPHIAN ECCLESIASTIC

Ann Arbor Christadelphians, 5795 Pontiac Tr. (734) 263–3500. Est. 1997. Sun. 10 a.m. jaredkeyes71@yahoo.com, biblereadings.com/annarbor

CHRISTIAN & MISSIONARY ALLIANCE

Calvary Chapel Ann Arbor, 3323 Nordman. (734) 730–6000. Est. 2004. Pastor Dave Gremban. Sun. 10:15 a.m. in person/online. ccannarbor@gmail.com, ccannarbor.org

Treeline Church, 4800 E. Huron River Dr. (WCC Towsley Auditorium, Morris Lawrence Bldg.). (734) 210–1356. Est. 2022. Member of the nationwide Salt Network of churches. Pastor David Livingston. Sun. 10 a.m. contact@treelinechurch.com, treelinechurch.com

Scio Community Church, 1293 N. Zeeb. (734) 662–7351. Est. 1934. Rev. Tedd Lewellen. Membership: 100. Sun. 10:45 a.m. in person/online. info@sciocommunity.org

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

First Church of Christ, Scientist, 1833 Washtenaw Ave. Est. 1906. Sun. 10:30 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m. Reading room: 306 E. Liberty, (734) 662–1694. Mon., Tues., & Thurs. 11 a.m.–2 p.m., Wed. 1–4 p.m. csreadingroomaa@gmail.com (reading room), christianscience-annarbor.com

CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST

Greater Fountain Church of God in Christ, 530 W. Stadium. (734) 665–5477. Est. 1928. Bishop Samuel Duncan Jr. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. greaterfountainsmedia@gmail.com, greaterfountaincogic.com



MARK BIALEK

Karuna Buddhist Center offers workshops, teachings, and meditation in the upper room at Bethlehem United Church of Christ.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Living Hope Church of the Nazarene, 2780 Packard. (734) 971–6723. Est. 1944. Pastor John J. Posegay. Sun. 10:30 a.m. annarbor-livinghopenazarene.org

COMMUNITY OF CHRIST

Community of Christ, 520 W. Jefferson. (734) 761–3082. Est. 1927. Pastors Sharon Noffsinger & Patricia Clapham. Sun. 11 a.m. aacof-christ@gmail.com, aacofchrist.org

CONGREGATIONAL

First Congregational Church of Ann Arbor, 608 E. William. (734) 662–1679. Est. 1847. Rev. Dr. Darcy Crain & Rev. Lily Tinker Fortel. Inclusive, member-directed church. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. office@fccannarbor.org, fccannarbor.org ♥

EPISCOPAL

Canterbury House Student Center, 721 E. Huron St. (734) 665–0606. Est. 1887. Rev. Matthew M. Lukens. Tues. 7 p.m. service of contemplative music and contemplative silence. Wed. 5:15 p.m. evening prayer. canterbury-house@umich.edu, canterburyhouse.org ♥

Episcopal Church of the Incarnation, 3257 Lohr. (734) 769–7900. Est. 1984. Pastor Donna Lockhart. Membership: 150. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. An Episcopal and interfaith spiritual community grounded in the teachings and practices of Jesus. All races, orientations, genders, and people of other faith backgrounds (or no faith) are welcome. pastordonna@incarnationannarbor.org, incarnationannarbor.org ♥

St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 1679 Broadway. (734) 663–5503. Est. 1966. Rev. Tom Ferguson. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. nam.ministries@sbcglobal.net, staidan.org ♥

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, 306 N. Division. (734) 663–0518. Est. 1827. Rev. Paul Frolick. Membership: 1,000. Sun. 8, 9:15 (family service), & 10 a.m. (in person/online), Wed. 7 a.m. & 6 p.m., Fri. 12:15 p.m. office@standrewsaa.org, standrewsaa.org ♥

St. Clare of Assisi Episcopal Church, 2309 Packard. (734) 662–2449. Est. 1953. Rector the Rev. Anne Clarke. Membership: 300. Sun. 8:30 & 10:30 a.m. Church school at 10:15 a.m. during the school year. welcome@saintclares-church.org, saintclareschurch.org ♥

FREE METHODIST

Evergreen Church. Associate pastor Brad Moss. Sun. 10 a.m. Missional communities meet weekly in Ann Arbor; email for location. derik@evergreenchurchof2.com, evergreen-church2.com

GREEK ORTHODOX

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 3109 Scio Church Rd. (734) 332–8200. Est. 1935. Parish Priest Fr. Nicolaos Kotsis. Membership: 500. Sun. 9 a.m. (Orthros), 10 a.m. (Divine Liturgy). secretary@stnickaa.org, stnickaa.org T

HINDU

Chinmaya Mission Ann Arbor, 4760 Packard. (734) 904–8902. Est. 1994. Acharya Sharada Kumar. Membership: 800 families. umich.edu/chinmaya-aa.org ♥

INDEPENDENT & INTERDENOMINATIONAL

2/42 Community Church, 648 S. Wagner. (734) 707–4995. Est. 2009. Ann Arbor Campus Pastor Albo Esilaba. Sun. 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m.,

& noon. info@242community.com, 242community.com

Ann Arbor Meditation Circle of Self-Realization Fellowship, 1829 W. Stadium, ste. 100. (734) 662–2202. Est. 1984. Sun. 9:30 a.m. (meditation service) & 10:30 a.m. (reading service), Thurs. 7 p.m. & 8 p.m. (meditation services). annarbor.srf@gmail.com, annarbor-srf.org

Blue Ocean Church, 2309 Packard (Genesis of Ann Arbor social hall). (734) 931–0130. Est. 2015. Pastors Daniel Reaume and Emily Swan. Membership: 200. Sun. 11 a.m. in person/online. office@a2blue.org, a2blue.org ♥

Chinese Christian Fellowship Church in Ann Arbor, 4205 Washtenaw Ave. (St. Luke Lutheran Church). Est. 1983. Sun. 1:15 p.m. (in Mandarin, Cantonese, and English). deacons@ccfcaa.org, ccfcaa.org

Harvest Mission Community Church, 1001 E. Huron St. (734) 662–4622. Est. 1996. Lead pastor Rev. Pete Dahlem, associate pastor Josh Yang. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. annarbor@hmcc.net, annarbor.hmcc.net

His House Christian Fellowship, 925 E. Ann. (734) 926–8240. Est. 1979. Campus minister Eric Hammond. ehammond@umich.edu, um.hhcf.org

Interfaith Center for Spiritual Growth, 704 Airport Blvd., ste. 1. (734) 327–0270. Est. 1998. Associate minister Delyth Balmer. Membership: 200. Sun. 10:45 a.m. in person/online. delyth.balmer@interfaithspirit.org, interfaithspirit.org ♥

Korean Church of Ann Arbor, 3301 Creek. (734) 971–9777. Est. 1967. Pastor Rev. Joo Hyung Lee. Sun. 9 & 11 a.m., Fri. 7 p.m. (youth). pastor@kcoaa.org, kcoaa.com

Mosaic Church of Ann Arbor, 1110 W. Cross, Ypsi; Ann Arbor services at 812 Washington (U-M Modern Languages Bldg.). (734) 719–0710. Est. 2009. Lead pastor Shannon Nielsen. Membership: 200. Sun. 11:15 a.m. connect@mosaica2.org, mosaica2.org

Shekinah Christian Church, 4600 Scio Church Rd. (734) 662–6040. Est. 1984. Pastor Barbara J. Yoder. Membership: 300. Sun. 10:30 a.m. info@shekinahchurch.org, shekinahchurch.org

The Word of God Community, 3820 Packard, ste. 200. (734) 994–3243. Est. 1967. Meets every other Sun. 4:30 p.m. in person/online. admin@thewordofgodcommunity.org, thewordofgodcommunity.org

JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES

Korean Congregation, 2000 Champagne. (248) 520–3836. Korean-language service. Sun. 10 a.m., Wed. 7:30 p.m. jw.org



MARK BIALEK

Rabbi Gabrielle Pescador leads the Ann Arbor Reconstructionist Congregation in bimonthly Shabbat and monthly Rosh Chodesh services at the Jewish Community Center.

North Maple Congregation, 2211 N. Maple. (734) 996-1244. Sun. 10 a.m., Wed. 7 p.m. jw.org

Stadium Congregation, 2000 Champagne. (734) 709-4106. Est. 1989. Membership: 201. Sun. 1 p.m., Thurs. 7 p.m. jw.org T

JEWISH

Ann Arbor Orthodox Minyan, (734) 489-1918. Est. 1965. Membership: 40 households. Shabbat morning services at 9:30 a.m. at Hillel (1429 Hill). Fri. evenings, Shabbat afternoon, and holiday schedules, times vary. Daily services Sept.-May, Sun. 8:30 a.m. and Mon. & Tues. 7:30 a.m. at Hillel; Wed.-Fri. 7:30 a.m. at Chabad House (715 Hill). Evening minyan held at Hillel Sept.-May, times vary. Weekday minyan schedule varies during the summer. welcome@annarborminyan.org, annarborminyan.org

Ann Arbor Reconstructionist Congregation, 2935 Birch Hollow. (734) 224-8790. Est. 1993. Rabbi Gabrielle Pescador. Membership: 120 families. Bimonthly Shabbat on 4th Fri. 6:30 p.m. and 2nd Sat. 10:30 a.m. Monthly Rosh Chodesh morning service, falling on the new moon. Religious school, adult ed, ticketless High Holidays, and other holiday services. info@aarecon.org, aarecon.org

Beth Israel Congregation (Conservative), 2000 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 665-9897. Est. 1916. Rabbi Nadav Caine. Membership: 453 households. Minyan: Sun.-Thurs. 7:30 p.m. Shabbat: Fri. 6 p.m. & Sat. 9:30 a.m. office@bethisrael-aa.org, bethisrael-aa.org

Chabad House, 715 Hill. (734) 995-3276. Est. 1975. Rabbi Aharon Goldstein, director. Membership: 250. Shabbat services, holiday services, mikvah on premises. Weekday minyan, shared with Hillel, held at 1429 Hill. chabad@jewmich.com, jewmich.com/cong

Jewish Cultural Society, 2935 Birch Hollow (Jewish Community Services). (734) 975-9872. Est. 1965. Secular Humanistic Jewish. Marlowe Susselman, executive director. Julie Gales, Madrikha. Membership: 60 households. Monthly First Friday Shabbat, 6:30 p.m. in person/online. Family-oriented holiday observances. info@jewishculturalsociety.org, jewishculturalsociety.org

Michigan Hillel, 1429 Hill. (734) 769-0500. Est. 1926. Senior rabbi Rav Lisa Stella. Services for Orthodox, Conservative, and Reform most weeks during U-M fall and winter semesters. High Holiday services open to community members and visiting guests by reservation. Kosher grab-and-go meals available for purchase during school terms. michiganhillel@umich.edu, michiganhillel.org

Temple Beth Emeth (Reform), 2309 Packard. (734) 665-4744. Est. 1966. Rabbi Josh Whinston, Cantor Emma Maier. Membership: 565 families. Services in person/online. Tot Shabbat Fri. 5:45 p.m. (Sept.-June), Elementary Shabbat 2nd Fri. 5:45 p.m. (Sept.-June), regular Shabbat service Fri. 6:30 p.m. (lay-led in July & Aug.), Torah study Sat. 8:50 a.m. and Shabbat morning service at 10 a.m. tbe@templebethemeth.org, templebethemeth.org T

LATTER-DAY SAINTS

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1385 Green. Ann Arbor 1st & 2nd Wards. Est. 1954. Bishops Stuart Woolley (1st Ward) and Rob Thompson (2nd Ward). Membership: 400. Sun. 9 a.m. (2nd Ward) and 11:15 a.m. (1st Ward). churchofjesuschrist.org

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 914 Hill. Young Single Adult ward. Sun. noon. churchofjesuschrist.org

LUTHERAN

ELCA: Evangelical Lutheran Church in America; LCMS: Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod; RIC: Reconciling in Christ; WELS: Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

Darlington Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS), 3545 Packard. (734) 971-0560. Est. 1946. Rev. Edward Zell. Membership: 38. Sun. 10 a.m. edwardzell@comcast.net, darlingtonannarbor.com

Emmaus Lutheran Church, 420 W. Liberty (St. Paul Lutheran Church). (810) 990-7572. Est. 2023. Pastor Chris Troxel. Membership: 60. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. info@emmausannarbor.org, emmausannarbor.org

King of Kings Lutheran Church (ELCA & RIC), 2685 Packard. (734) 971-1417. Est. 1970. Pastor Beth Birkholz. Membership: 80. Sun. 9:30 a.m. in person/online. contact@kingofkingslutheran.org, kingofkingslutheran.org T

Lord of Light Lutheran Church/Lutheran Campus Ministry, 801 S. Forest. (734) 668-7622. Est. 1917. Pastor Elizabeth Friedman. Sun. 5 p.m. lol-lcm@comcast.net, lcm-um.org T

Peace Lutheran Church (LCMS), 8260 Jackson Rd. (734) 424-0899. Est. 1993. Sun. 8:30 a.m. (traditional), 11 a.m. (praise) in person/online & 6 p.m. (outside, weather permitting). Memorial Day-Labor Day Sun. praise service 10 a.m. peace@peaceaa.net, peaceaa.net

Redeemer Lutheran Church and U-M Campus Ministry (WELS), 1360 Pauline. (734) 662-0663. Est. 1944. Pastor Jacob Haag. Membership: 80. Sun. 10 a.m. contact@rlca2.com, rlca2.com T

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS), 7474 Scio Church Rd. (734) 623-0919. Est. 1833. Pastor Paul D. Jansen. Membership: 400. Sun. 10 a.m. pastor@salem-annarbor.org, salem-annarbor.org

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELS), 2945 E. Northfield Church Rd. (734) 761-1740. Est. 1869. Pastor John P. Gierach. Membership: 162. First Sun. after Labor Day-last Sun. in May 10:30 a.m.; first Sun. in June-first Sun. in Sept. 9:30 a.m. stjohnsannarbor2945@yahoo.com, stjohnsannarbor.org

St. Luke Lutheran Church (LCMS), 4205 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 971-0550. Est. 1958. Pastor Kyle Weeks. Sun. 8:30 a.m. (traditional) & 11 a.m. (contemporary) in person/online. Summer worship: Sun. 8:30 a.m. (traditional) & 10:30 a.m. (contemporary). office@stlukea.org, stlukea.org

St. Paul Lutheran Church (LCMS), 420 W. Liberty. (734) 665-9117. Est. 1908. Senior pastor Rev. Dr. Theodore Hopkins. Associate pastor Rev. Aaron Roggow. Membership: 1,000. Sat. 6:30 p.m. & Sun. 8:30 a.m. (10:45 a.m. at St. Paul School, 495 Earhart). office@stpaul-annarbor.org, stpaulannarbor.org

St. Thomas Lutheran Church (LCMS), 10001 W. Ellsworth. (734) 663-7511. Est. 1842. Sun. 9 a.m. stthomaslutheranaa@gmail.com, facebook.com/stthomaslutheranannarbor

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church (ELCA & RIC), 1400 W. Stadium. (734) 662-4419. Est. 1893. Pastor Sara Cogsil. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. trinitya2.org T

University Lutheran Chapel, 1511 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 663-5560. Community church with campus ministry focus. Pastors Gabe Kasper, Marcus Lane, and Randy Duncan. Academic year worship Sun. 8 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m. with student group Wed. 7 p.m. Summer worship 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. info@ulcannarbor.org, ulcannarbor.org

Zion Lutheran Church (ELCA), 1501 W. Liberty. (734) 994-4455. Est. 1875. Pastors Jim Debner and Greer Cherney. Deacon Brandon Kruger. Membership: 1,500+. Sun. 9 a.m. (traditional worship) & 11:11 a.m. (modern worship) in person/online. Memorial Day-Labor Day, 8:30 a.m. (outside drive-in service) & 10 a.m. (indoor blended worship). info@zlc-aa.org, zlc-aa.org T

MENNONITE

Ann Arbor Mennonite Church, 2566 Arrowwood (Arrowwood Hills Community Center). (734) 657-6055. Est. 1967. Sun. 10:30 a.m.



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& Wed. 7 p.m. annarbormennonite.wordpress.com

Shalom Community Church (Mennonite/Church of the Brethren), 2685 Packard (King of Kings Lutheran Church).

MESSIANIC JEWISH

Congregation Zera Avraham, 704 Airport Blvd. (734) 707-8145. Est. 1993. Rabbi Isaac Roussel. Every other Sat. 10 a.m. in person/online. contact@czaa2.org, czaa2.org

METHODIST

Dixboro United Methodist Church, 5221 Church St., Dixboro. (734) 665-5632. Est. 1858. Rev. Mary Butler-Loring. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. dixboroumc@gmail.com, dixborochurch.org

First United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor, 120 S. State. (734) 662-4536. Est. 1827. Pastors Nancy Lynn and Jenaba Waggy. Membership: 700. Sun. 10 a.m. traditional service, Sat. 5 p.m. contemporary service. info@fumc-a2.org, fumc-a2.org ♥

Korean United Methodist Church of Ann Arbor, 1536 Franklin. (734) 780-7320. Est. 1981. Pastor Hyun-Jun Cho. Sun. 11 a.m. kumcaa.info@gmail.com, kumc-aa.org

Living Grace Ministry, 1536 Franklin. Est. 2023. Pastor Steve Khang. Sun. 1:30 p.m. in person. livinggraceministry@gmail.com, livinggraceministry.org T

Wesley Foundation at the University of Michigan, 602 E. Huron St. (First United Methodist Church). (734) 668-6881. An open and affirming United Methodist campus ministry. Rev. Tim Kobler. Sun. 6:02 p.m. in Wesley Lounge during academic year. info@umich-wesley.org, umich-wesley.org ♥

West Side United Methodist Church, 900 S. Seventh. (734) 663-4164. Est. 1847. Diverse and affirming United Methodist Church. All are welcome—no asterisk. Pastor Adam Bisell. Sun. 10:30 a.m. westside@westside-umc.org, gowestsidechurch.org ♥

MUSLIM

Masjid At-Taqwa, 2680 Golfside. (734) 709-7363. Est. 2008. Imam Ahmed. Open for all five daily prayers. masjidattaqwaaa@gmail.com, masjidattaqwa.org

Muslim Community Association of Ann Arbor, 2301 Plymouth Rd. (734) 665-6772. Est. 1972. Imam Dr. Abdelhamid Algizawi. Membership: 1,500. imam.algizawi@mca-a2.org, mca-a2.org

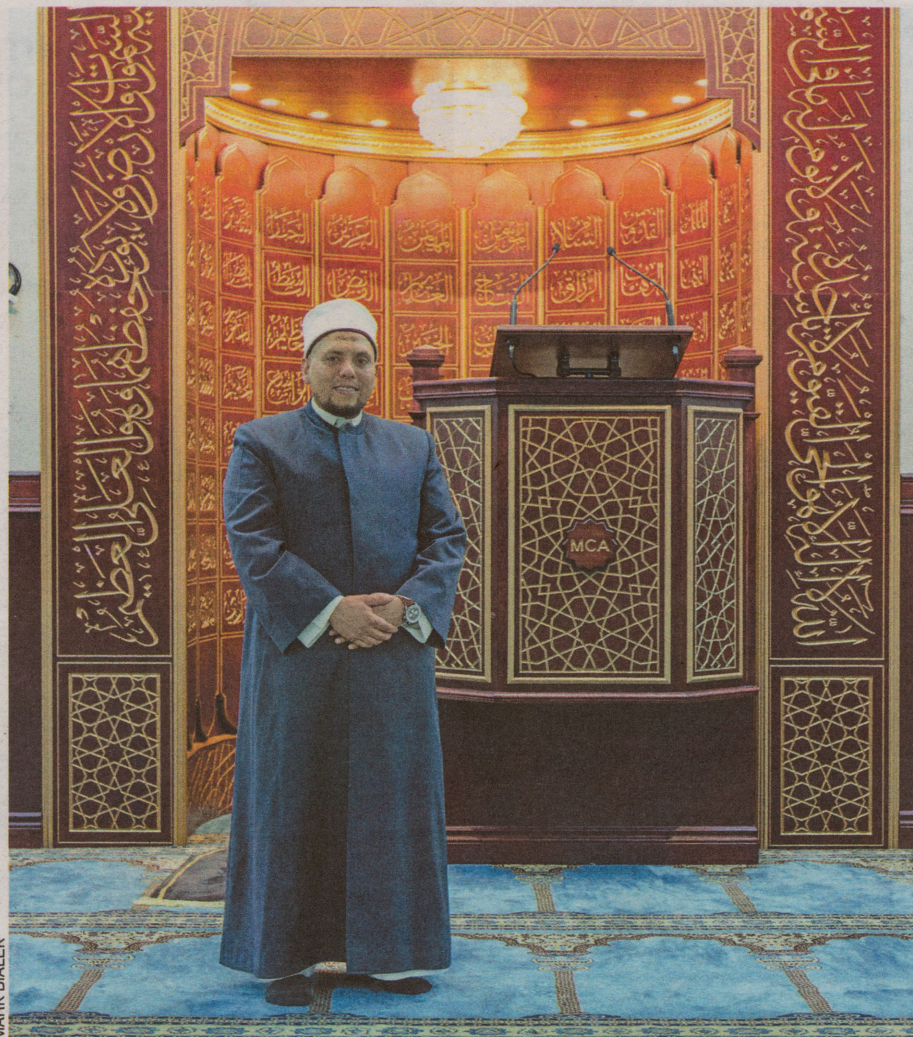
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Accelerate Church, PO Box 2625, AA 48106. (734) 585-5660. Est. 2010. Pastor Lester Guest. Membership: 70. Sun. 3 p.m. info@accelerate-church.org, acceleratechurch.org

Ann Arbor Community Church, 2275 Platt. (734) 477-9135. Est. 2025. Pastor Rev. Donnell Wyche. Membership: 425. Sun. 11 a.m. in person/online. mainoffice@a2communitychurch.org, a2communitychurch.org

Arbor Bridge Church, 2500 S. Main. (734) 662-2756. Est. 1941. Pastor Darryl Canty. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. darryl@arborbridgechurch.com, arborbridgechurch.com

Church in Ann Arbor, 530 S. State, 1st fl. (Michigan Union Pond Rm.). Sat. 4 p.m. (youth), Sun. 10:10 a.m. in person/online. Check



Imam Dr. Abdelhamid Algizawi heads the 1,500-member Muslim Community Association of Ann Arbor.

website for weekly locations. churchinaa@gmail.com, annarbor.church

Fellowship Bible Church, 2775 Bedford. (734) 971-2837. Est. 1981. Pastor Matthew Postiff. Membership: 75. Sun. 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., & 6 p.m. Wed. 6:30 p.m. Most services also livestreamed at fbcaa.org/live. info@fbcaa.org, fbcaa.org T

the greenroom, 410 W. Huron St. (Yellow Barn/Theatre NOVA). Est. 2010. Pastor Scott Crownover. Mon. 7:30 p.m. in person/online. greenrooma2@gmail.com, thegreenroom-church.com

Little Flock Church, 825 N. Maple. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. Wed. 7:30 p.m. Bible study in person/online. a2littleflock.church

New Life Church, 1541 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 623-6313. Est. 1998. Membership: 350. Sun. 10:01 a.m. info@newlifea2.org, newlifea2.org

Radiant Church, 410 S. Maple (behind Kroger). (734) 418-2012. Est. 2012. Pastor Jeremy Brown. Sun. 9:30 (prayer service) and 10:30 a.m. (main service) in person/online. info@radianta2.com, radianta2.com

Redeemer Ann Arbor, 529 Detroit St. (734) 233-4575. Est. 2015. Pastors Jim Mong, Bart Bryant, and Scott Simpson. Membership: 125. Sun. 10:30 a.m. Currently meets in the Rogel Ballroom at the Michigan Union (530 S. State) until the new location is ready. jimong@redeemera2.org, redeemera2.org T

ORTHODOX PENTECOSTAL

Labor of Love Church International Ministries, 3350 Textile. (734) 528-3663. Est. 1992. Pastor Donna Hawthorne. Membership: 250. Sun. 10 a.m. info@laboroflovechurch.org, laboroflovechurch.org

PRESBYTERIAN

EPC: *Evangelical Presbyterian Church*; PCUSA: *Presbyterian Church (USA)*; PCA: *Presbyterian Church in America*

Ann Arbor Taiwanese Presbyterian Church, 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (First Presbyterian Church). (734) 922-5341. Est. 1976. Pastor Ho-Tek Tan. Sun. 2 p.m. tanhotek@gmail.com, aatpc.net

Calvary Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), 2727 Fernwood. (734) 971-3121. Est. 1946. Membership: 31. Sun. 10 a.m. calvarya2@gmail.com, calvarya2.com

Christ Church Ann Arbor (PCA), 2301 South Industrial. (734) 203-0389. Est. 2012. Pastor Chad Barrow. Sun. 10:30 a.m. churchinfo@christchurcha2.org, christchurcha2.org

First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor (PCUSA), 1432 Washtenaw Ave. (734) 662-4466. Lead pastor Rev. David Prentice-Hyers. Sun. (Sept.–May) 8 & 9:30 a.m. worship, 11 a.m. faith formation (June–Aug.) 9:30 a.m. worship (in person/online). First Tues. 7 p.m. (Taizé service resumes Oct. 7). fpca2.org ♥

Knox Presbyterian Church (EPC), 2065 S. Wagner. (734) 761-5669. Est. 1992. Membership: 550. Sun. 9:30 a.m. knox@knoxannarbor.org, knoxannarbor.org

Korean Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor (PCA), 2141 Brockman. (734) 680-5221. Est. 1982. Pastor Jae Joong Hwang. kpcannarbor@gmail.com, kpcaa.us

Northside Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), 1679 Broadway. (734) 663-5503. Est. 1959. Rev. Jenny Saperstein. Sun. 10 a.m. in person/online. nam.ministries@sbcglobal.net, northsidepres.org ♥

Red Tree Presbyterian Church, 530 S. State (Michigan Union). (734) 746-5022. Est. 2023. Pastor Ryan McVicar. Sun. 10:30 a.m. in person/online. info@redtreeannarbor.com, redtreeannarbor.com

Westminster Presbyterian Church (PCUSA), 1500 Scio Church Rd. (734) 761-9320. Est. 1956. Membership: 120. Sun. 11 a.m. wpcoffice@westpresa2.org, westpresa2.org ♥

QUAKER (SOCIETY OF FRIENDS)

Ann Arbor Friends Meeting, 1420 Hill. (734) 761-7435. Est. 1935. Clerk Karen Connor. Membership: 120. Sun. various worship services held in person/online. Check website for current times and formats. clerks@annarbor-friends.org, annarborfriends.org ♥

REFORMED

Ann Arbor Christian Reformed Church, 1717 Broadway. (734) 665-0105. Est. 1961. Pastors Noah Livingston, Kristen Livingston, and Mike Hoozeboom. Membership: 300. Sun. 10:30 a.m. office@aacrc.org, aacrc.org

Ann Arbor Hope Christian Reformed Church, 2500 S. Main. (734) 678-6462. Est. 1990. Pastors Joseph Hun-Suk Bae & Brandon Kim. Membership: 220. Sun. 2 p.m. (Korean & English). pastorbae@gmail.com, aahope.net T

Campus Chapel, 1236 Washtenaw Ct. (734) 668-7421. Est. 1940. Rev. Matt Ackerman. Sun. 10:30 a.m. Summer worship: Sun. 6 p.m. office@campuschapel.org, campuschapel.org

Grace Ann Arbor, 2803 Boardwalk. (734) 210-1150. Est. 2009. Pastor Dan Rodriguez. Membership: 625. Sun. 9:30 & 11 a.m.; online message at noon. office@gracechurch.city, gracechurch.city/ann-arbor

Grace Ann Arbor North, 3150 Glazier. (734) 210-1527. Est. 2023. Pastor Mike Critch. Membership: 150. Sun. 10 a.m. gracenorthoffice@gracechurch.city, gracechurch.city/ann-arbor-north

Grace Ann Arbor West, 5171 Jackson Rd. (734) 210-0474. Est. 2018. Pastor Ken Van Kley. Membership: 150. Sun. 10 a.m. west-office@gracechurch.city, gracechurch.city/ann-arbor-west

SALVATION ARMY

The Salvation Army, 100 Arbana. (734) 668-8353. Major Brian Goodwill. Membership: 85. Sun. 11 a.m. emi.annarbor@usc.salvationarmy.org, centralusa.salvationarmy.org/washtenaw

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

Ann Arbor Seventh-day Adventist Church, 2796 Packard. (734) 971-5919. Est. 1899. Pastor Danny Rodriguez. Sat. 11 a.m. in person/online. annarborsdachurch.org

UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST

First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor, 4001 Ann Arbor–Saline Rd. (734) 665-6158. Est. 1865. Rev. Manish Mishra-Marzetti. Membership: 488. Sept.–May Sun. 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.; Memorial Day weekend–Labor Day weekend 10:30 a.m. in person/online. office@uuaa.org, uuaa.org ♥

UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Bethlehem United Church of Christ, 423 S. Fourth Ave. (734) 665-6149. Est. 1833. Membership: 479. Sun. 10 a.m. info@bethlehem-ucc.org, bethlehem-ucc.org ♥

Church of the Good Shepherd, 2145 Independence. (734) 971-6133. Est. 1957. Rev. Dr. Deborah Dean-Ware. Membership: 140. Multi-racial. Sun. 10:15 a.m. assistantpastor@cogsaa.org, cogsaa.org ♥

UNITY

Unity Church of Ann Arbor, 4599 Carpenter, Ypsilanti (inside It's a Small World day care). (734) 434-8545. Est. 1971. Rev. Thomas Frederick. Sun. 10 a.m. staff@unitya2.org, unitya2.org ♥

Unity on Campus Ministry. (734) 787-3664. Est. 1998. Rev. Ernestine Griffin. Meets online every 2nd & 4th Fri. unityoncampus@aol.com, unityoncampus.org ♥

Pets & Wildlife

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PETS

Health Emergencies

Animal Urgent Center, 215 N. Maple, ste. A1 (Maple Village). (734) 531-7540. Emergency and urgent care veterinary services for dogs and cats. Mon.-Fri. 1-9 p.m., Sat. & Sun. 9 a.m.-7 p.m. contact@animal-urgentcenter.com, animalurgentcenter.com

Ann Arbor Animal Hospital, 2150 W. Liberty. (734) 662-4474. Specializes in the care of cats and dogs. Services by appointment Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sat. & Sun. 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Emergency and urgent care also available during regular hours and Sat. & Sun. 2-6 p.m. clientinfo@annarboranimalhospital.com, annarboranimalhospital.com

BluePearl Specialty + Emergency Pet Hospital, 4126 Packard. (734) 971-8774. Emergency veterinary care for dogs and cats. Specialty services by appointment only. Daily 11 a.m.-10 p.m. info@annarbor@bluepearlvet.com, bluepearlvet.com/hospital/ann-arbor-mi

Emergency Veterinary Hospital, 5245 Jackson Rd., ste. E. (734) 369-6446. 24-hour emergency and urgent care for cats, dogs, and exotic pets. Check in online. Indoor visits limited to pets. Call upon arrival for transport of your leashed or carrier-confined pet into the office. staff@emergencyvetannarbor.com, emergencyvetannarbor.com

Activities

Dog Parks, Broadway and Olson parks have city-maintained off-leash parks; the 10-acre Swift Run park is city- and county-maintained. All have areas for small and large dogs. Permit required: call (734) 794-6140 or email cityclerk@a2gov.org.

The Petting Farm, 3001 Earhart (near Domino's Farms Office Park). (734) 998-0182. Since 1984. Ponies, alpacas, llamas, goats, pigs, sheep, chickens, peacocks, cows, bunnies, and donkeys. Hayrides available most weekends. Playground, Maggie the Milking Cow demonstrator statue, birthday party packages, and private events. Adults & children \$8; seniors (60+) \$5.50; children 23 months and younger free; families \$40. Open year-round; hours vary seasonally. Discounts for military, first responders, and parties of 15+. info@pettingfarm.com, pettingfarm.com

Therapaws of Michigan. Canine-assisted therapy. All-volunteer program dedicated to promoting and fostering the human-animal bond in therapeutic and educational settings. Individual owner-dog teams visit schools and libraries, patients in hospitals, and residents in extended care facilities, providing social, emotional, and physical benefits. info@therapaws.org, therapaws.org

Therapeutic Riding, Inc., 3425 E. Morgan. (734) 677-0303. Adaptive horsemanship, equestrian sport riding, and para-dressage for children and adults with physical, cognitive, and developmental disabilities. Volunteer opportunities for age 14+ as side walkers, horse leaders, barn help, and farm visit support. info@therapeuticridinginc.org, therapeuticridinginc.org

Adoption & Advocacy

Ann Arbor Cat Clinic, 3690 Packard. (734) 973-9090. Feline veterinary hospital with an adoption program that places stray cats into permanent homes. Does not accept cats surrendered by their owners. aacc@annarborcatclinic.com, annarborcatclinic.com

Barn Sanctuary, 20179 McKernan, Chelsea. (734) 270-6845. Rescues and rehabilitates abused and neglected farm animals by providing a safe haven where they can recover and thrive. Field trips, group tours, and public tours are offered with advance registration May-Oct. Private tours held year-round. info@barnsanctuary.org, barnsanctuary.org

Great Lakes Rabbit Sanctuary, PO Box 7, Whittaker 48190. (734) 985-9220. Provides safe haven for abandoned, abused, and neglected domestic rabbits and other animals, intending to find them new homes; those not eligible for adoption remain in sanctuary. Open to the public one day each month; private tours for donation. info@rabbitsanctuary.org, rabbitsanctuary.org

Happy Hearts Feline Rescue, 10905 E. Pleasant Lake Rd., Manchester 48158 (mailing address). (734) 545-2906. Sanctuary and foster care for older (8+ years), critically ill cats, and treatment of kittens and cats with FIP. happyheartsfelineerescue@gmail.com, happyheartsfelineerescue.org

Humane Society of Huron Valley (HSHV), 3100 Cherry Hill Rd. (734) 662-5585. Pet adoptions: (734) 662-5585. Lost/found pets: (734) 661-3545. For injured stray animal rescue, or to report animal cruelty: (734) 661-3512. Affordable veterinary clinic and low-cost spay/neuter: (734) 662-4365. **Love Train** rescues and adopts out puppies: hshv.org/lovetrain. **Friends for Life** program offers help for seniors and others struggling to keep their pets with vet care, food, and supplies: (734) 661-3550. Monthly discount vaccine clinics: hshv.org/vaccineclinics. Affordable dog training: hshv.org/dogtraining. Humane Education program includes camps, field trips, birthday parties, and tours. Trap, Neuter, and Return helps control outdoor cat population. info@hshv.org, hshv.org

Kat Snips, 10905 Pleasant Lake Rd., Manchester 48158 (mailing address). Spay/neutering service for cats. In Washtenaw, Jackson, Lenawee, and Hillsdale counties, \$45/cat. All other counties, \$55/cat. You will receive a voucher to take your cat to a participating veterinarian. Rabies vaccination is included. Apply online. katsnips.org

Leuk's Landing, 5508 Tanglewood, AA 48105 (mailing address). (734) 665-7431. Provides a permanent home for cats and kittens diagnosed with feline leukemia. Facility in Superior Twp. houses 30 cats and kittens. Places cats in short- and long-term foster care within a half hour of Ann Arbor, and provides all supplies—food, litter, treats, toys, and vet care. In need of volunteers and foster caregivers. leukslanding@gmail.com, leukslanding.org

Little Mews Rescue. (734) 304-0123. Serves Southeastern Michigan. Houses stray, unwanted, neglected, or abused cats and kittens in foster homes while waiting for adoption. In need of foster caregivers and volunteers for PetSmart adoption center in Ypsilanti. littlemews@yahoo.com, littlemews.org

Pet Pals Mutual Aid. (734) 347-7784. Helps humans keep and care for their companion animals. Provides pet food and supplies and helps with hotel rooms in extreme (cold or hot) temps for people living outside with their pets. Works with HSHV to provide free spaying and neutering. Volunteers help unload/organize donations, deliver food, expand outreach and fundraising, participate in monthly Pull Over Prevention events (facebook.com/pulloverprevention), and more. petpalsmutualaid@gmail.com, petpalsmutualaid.com

SASHA Farm Animal Sanctuary (Sanctuary and Safe Haven for Animals), 17901 Mahrle, Manchester. (734) 218-8897. The largest farm animal sanctuary in the Midwest provides lifelong care for more than 180 farm animals (cows, pigs, sheep, goats, chickens, turkeys, horses, and more). Advocates for plant-based lifestyle. Volunteers welcome and tours available. info@sashafarm.org, sashafarm.org

Starry Skies Equine Rescue and Sanctuary, 8133 W. Liberty Rd. (734) 474-8518. Nonprofit volunteer-based horse rescue and adoption agency, one of the largest equine rescues in southern Michigan. starryskiesequinrescueandsanctuary.com

Tiny Lions Lounge & Adoption Center, 5245 Jackson Rd. (734) 661-3530. Cat café; spend time with kittens and cats from the HSHV who are looking for homes. No obligation to adopt. Tues.-Sat. noon-7 p.m., Sun. noon-5 p.m. Closed Mon. \$6/half hour; \$10/hour. Online reservations recommended. tinylions.org

LAWS & ANIMAL CONTROL

Animal Control. Emergency: 911. Humane Society: (734) 662-5585. The City of Ann Arbor Police Department partners with the HSHV to respond to animal nuisance complaints, pick up healthy stray animals, and investigate animal bites.

Ann Arbor Pet Laws. Dog owners must have their pets leashed or confined at all times and clean up af-



Kids can practice their reading skills with adoptable pets at the Humane Society of Huron Valley (Adoption & Advocacy).

ter their dogs on public and private property. **Licenses are mandatory for dogs older than 6 months.** 1 year \$6 neutered/\$12 unaltered; 3 year \$15/\$30. No charge for service dogs. Licenses expire on rabies vaccination certificate expiration. a2gov.org/doglicense

Owners must provide proper food, drink, and shelter from the weather for their animal(s) and medical attention to prevent their animal(s) from suffering. a2gov.org (search for Animal Control)

Reporting Animal Cruelty. To report a sick or injured animal or suspected animal cruelty, call the **Humane Society of Huron Valley** hotline: (734) 661-3512. Leave the address with major cross streets and a detailed account or file a report online at hshv.org/get-help/report-animal-abuse. Michigan law defines animal cruelty as: failure to provide an animal with adequate food, water, shelter, sanitary conditions, exercise, or medical treatment; improperly tethering (or chaining); abandoning or causing an animal to be abandoned; beating, torturing, maiming, or killing an animal; willfully or negligently allowing an animal to suffer; transporting an animal in a vehicle in a cruel or inhumane manner; poisoning or exposing an animal to poison; and/or cropping a dog's ears or docking a dog's tail (unless performed by a registered veterinary surgeon).

WILDLIFE

Bird Center of Michigan, 7800 Platt, Saline. (734) 761-9640. Emergency care for orphaned and injured wild songbirds with the intent of returning them to their habitats. Provides referrals for injured waterfowl and raptors such as hawks and owls. Daily 8 a.m.-8 p.m., May-Oct.; 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Nov.-Apr. clinic@birdcentermi.org, birdcentermi.org

Birding Sites. For descriptions and directions to major birding sites in Ann Arbor and beyond, see bit.ly/bowmanbirdsites.

The Creature Conservancy, 4950 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd. (734) 929-9324. Strives to educate people of all ages about wildlife to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation that encourages a stronger commitment to environmental protection. Visitors may see an alligator, warthog, cougar, and many other animals. Hosts events at their location or yours. Private tours, special events, First Friday adult (18+) events, school field trips, summer camps for age 6 through high school, kids camps, and birthday parties. Open Sat. & Sun. noon-5:30 p.m. Tickets at the door only: age 13+, \$15; ages 2-12, \$13; under 2, free. Includes educational animal presentation (programs change monthly), kids craft and enrichment area, and op-

portunity to see and learn about animals on display. contact@thecreatureconservancy.org, thecreatureconservancy.org

Freedom Birders (formerly BIPOC Birders of Michigan). Dedicated to encouraging people of color to explore the world of birding. Hosts field trips to birding sites and supports individuals in birding. Open to all. bipocbirdersofmi.wordpress.com

Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Wildlife division: (517) 284-9453. Contact for questions related to hunting, wildlife, and habitat management. Tips on handling conflicts with wildlife, nuisance animal control directory, and a listing of licensed wildlife rehabilitators at michigan.gov/dnr/managing-resources/wildlife. Go to dnr.state.mi.us/ors to report wildlife observations, such as wild turkey counts or diseased animals. If you witness a natural resource violation, report it immediately by texting or calling (800) 292-7800 (24 hours) or emailing dnr-wildlife@michigan.gov, michigan.gov/dnr/managing-resources/laws/rap

Natural Area Preservation (City of Ann Arbor), 3875 E. Huron River Dr. (734) 794-6627. Staff and volunteers conduct plant and animal inventories, ecological monitoring, and stewardship projects in Ann Arbor parks. Projects include volunteer surveys of breeding birds, frogs/toads, turtles, and salamanders; seed collecting and sowing; conducting prescribed burns; and more. Volunteer training provided. Leads group hikes and offers educational opportunities. nap@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/nap

Washtenaw Bird & Nature Alliance. Monthly programs feature guest speakers on a variety of natural history and birding topics. Conducts field trips around southeast Michigan and as far away as Michigan's Upper Peninsula, and conducts special events, such as Christmas Bird Count. Holds monthly workdays at its Searles Nature Preserve in Augusta Twp. washtenawbna.org

RESCUE & REMOVAL

Help 4 Wildlife, PO Box 92, Dexter 48130. Text Karen: (734) 645-3552. A grassroots nonprofit organization with experienced, licensed wildlife rehabilitators who rescue, rehabilitate, and release injured and/or orphaned animals. Also provides referrals to other wildlife rehabilitators. help4wildlife.com

Humane Society of Huron Valley Wildlife Rescue/Removal, 3100 Cherry Hill Rd. (734) 661-3512. Wildlife rescue & humane wildlife removal services. hshv.org/get-help/wildlife

Emergency Services

EMERGENCY 911

For emergencies in Ann Arbor and all of Washtenaw County, dial 911. The county's 911 Metro Dispatch connects callers to law enforcement agencies, fire departments, and emergency medical services throughout the county.

For hospital emergency rooms, see Health Emergencies, below.

ABUSE, ASSAULT, & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Abuse and Neglect Hotline (Washtenaw County Protective Services, Michigan Department of Health and Human Services). (855) 444-3911 (24 hours). Connects to Children's Protective Services and Adult Protective Services, which investigate reports of abuse, neglect, or exploitation, and provide protection to vulnerable children and adults. michigan.gov/mdhhs/adult-child-serv/abuse-neglect

SafeHouse Center, 4100 Clark. 24-hour helpline: (734) 995-5444 (translation available). Business line: (734) 973-0242. Free and confidential services to survivors of intimate partner (domestic) violence and survivors of sexual assault, who live, work, or were assaulted in Washtenaw County. Services include individual and group support, legal advocacy & assistance (including Personal Protection Orders), support groups, and emergency shelter. safehouse-center.org

DISASTERS

American Red Cross 24-Hour Emergency Services. (305) 644-1200. Disaster assistance, including food, clothing, temporary shelter, personal care items, mental health assistance, financial aid, and health services. Reunifies loved ones separated by emergency, war, or natural disasters overseas. The Hero Care Network provides emergency communications to active

duty service members during emergencies at home. redcross.org/local/michigan/get-help

Ann Arbor Office of Emergency Management, 111 N. Fifth Ave. (734) 794-6961. Coordinates all city emergency planning for weather-related and other disasters; maintains an emergency operations center; sends emergency alerts; conducts emergency preparedness training; and operates a citywide storm/tornado warning siren system. oem@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/fire/emergency-management

Critical Incident Stress Management (CISM) and Traumatic Events Response Network (TERN) Team. Call Washtenaw Metro Dispatch, (734) 994-2911 (24 hours), and request a CISM/TERN response. Mental health-related crisis intervention for survivors of natural disasters, accidents, violent crimes, or other traumatic events. washtenaw.org/1566/critical-incident-stress-management

Everbridge Alerts, 111 N. Fifth Ave. (734) 794-6961. Provides automated alerts by phone, text, or email about evacuations, flooding, severe weather, gas leaks and chemical spills, boil water advisories, police activity, and other emergencies to residents of Washtenaw County. Go to washtenaw.org/alerts, then click Sign Up. washtenaw.org/1124/sheriff

Washtenaw County Emergency Operations Center. General information: (734) 222-3911. Coordinates disaster preparation, response, and public information about dangerous weather, hazardous material response, or any large-scale emergency. Emergency Alert System links to all radio and television stations. washtenaw.org/emergencyservices

ENVIRONMENT

Pollution Emergency Alerting System (Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy). Environmental emergency hotline: (800) 292-4706 (24 hours). Call to report the release or potential release of oil, radioactive materials, or hazardous chemicals into the air, land, or water. michigan.gov/egle/contact/environmental-emergencies

FAMILY CRISES

Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline. 24-hour line: (800) 422-4453 (call or text HELP). Live chat on website. Confidential crisis intervention for children, caregivers, and those legally required to report child abuse. Referrals to emergency, social, and support services. Interpreters in 170 languages. childhelp.org

Emergency Food Program (Catholic Social Services), 815 Taylor (Northside Community Center). (734) 662-4462. Distributes groceries and personal care items to low-income families and individuals on a monthly and/or emergency basis. Also provides assistance applying for food benefits and referrals to other critical services. Tues. 2-5:30 p.m., Thurs. 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m. ccwcwashtenaw.org/ccwc-food-pantry

Ozone House. 24-hour crisis line: (734) 662-2222 (call or text). **Youth center:** 1600 N. Huron River Dr., Ypsi. **Drop-in center:** 102 N. Hamilton, Ypsi, (734) 485-2222. Free, confidential support for youth and families in crisis, including homelessness, suicidal thoughts, and family conflicts. Short-term shelter, support, and programs for ages 10-17; longer-term housing and support for ages 17½-24. ozonehouse.org

The Trevor Project. 24-hour lifeline: (866) 488-7386, text START to 678678, or live chat on website to reach a crisis counselor. Free & confidential suicide prevention and crisis intervention lifeline for gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning people up to age 25. Affirming, online community of LGBTQ+ youth. trevorspace.org

HEALTH EMERGENCIES

Michigan Poison & Drug Information Center. (800) 222-1222 (24 hours). Provides treatment recommendations, hospital referrals, and follow-up calls for people of all ages facing poison emergencies. When calling, provide the patient's name, phone number, age, weight, allergies, medications, and symptoms. Have the substance with you during the call to provide its name and time since exposure. poison.med.wayne.edu

Trinity Health Emergency-Ann Arbor Hospital, 5301 McAuley, Ypsi. (734) 712-3000. 24-hour emergency care. trinityhealthmichigan.org/location/trinity-health-emergency-ann-arbor-hospital

U-M Health Children's Emergency Services, 1540 E. Hospital Dr., 2nd fl. (C.S. Mott Children's Hospital). (877) 475-6688. 24-hour emergency care for medical/surgical emergencies and minor/major illnesses or injuries for youth up to age 20. mottchildren.org/conditions-treatments/pec-emergency-service

U-M Health Emergency Department, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr. (734) 936-6666. 24-hour emergency care. uofmhealth.org/medical-services/emergency-and-trauma

U-M Health Psychiatric Emergency Services, 1500 E. Medical Center Dr., fl. B1, rm. A240. (734) 936-5900 (24 hours). Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: 988 (call or text). 24/7 treatment for people of all ages facing psychiatric emergencies. Suicide and emotional crisis intervention by phone or walk-in. Enter through U-M Health Emergency Department entrance. uofmhealth.org/medical-services/emergency-mental-health-and-psychiatry

U-M School of Dentistry Emergency Clinic, 1011 North University. (888) 707-2500. Emergency dental treatment. Call for appointment and fees. Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-5 p.m. dent.umich.edu/patients, dent.umich.edu/emergency-dental-services

HOUSING ASSISTANCE

Housing Access for Washtenaw County. (734) 961-1999 (Mon.-Fri. 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.). Single point of entry for all county shelters. For Washtenaw County residents who face eviction, are in need of security deposit support, owe back rent, are experiencing homelessness, or have no ongoing place to stay. hawc@washtenaw.org, housingaccess.net

Staples Veterans' Hope House (Salvation Army), 3660 Packard. (734) 761-7750. Emergency shelter for up to 11 veterans with emphasis on transition to permanent housing. No meals. centralusa.salvationarmy.org/washtenaw/provide-housing

POLICE & FIRE

Ann Arbor Fire Department. In an emergency, call 911. Nonemergency dispatch: (734) 994-2911. General information: (734) 794-6961. Stations at 111 N. Fifth Ave., 2130 Jackson Ave., 2415 S. Huron Pkwy., 1946 Beal, and 1881 Briarwood Cir. fire@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/fire

Ann Arbor Police Department, 301 E. Huron St. In an emergency, call 911. Nonemergency dispatch: (734) 994-2911 (24 hours). General information: (734) 794-6920. Confidential tip line: (734) 794-6939. police@a2gov.org, a2gov.org/police

Pittsfield Police Department, 6227 W. Michigan Ave. In an emergency, call 911. Nonemergency dispatch: (734) 822-4911 (24 hours). Confidential tip line: (734) 822-4958. publicsafety@pittsfield-mi.gov, pittsfield-mi.gov/310/police-department

U-M Division of Public Safety and Security, 1239 Kipke. Administration: 109 E. Madison, (734) 763-8391. In an emergency, call 911. Nonemergencies: (734) 763-1131 or text 377911 (24 hours). Anonymous tip line: (800) 863-1355. DPSS conducts all U-M police and security operations. dpss-safety-security@umich.edu, dpss.umich.edu

Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office, 2201 Hogback. In an emergency, call 911. Nonemergency dispatch: (734) 994-2911 (24 hours). General information: (734) 971-8400. Incarcerated individual information: (734) 585-7247. The sheriff provides local police services in parts of the City Guide area, including Ann Arbor, Freedom, Lodi, Scio, and Superior townships. sheriffinfo@washtenaw.org, washtenaw.org/1124/sheriff

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

Al-Anon. (734) 995-4949. 12-step support group for families and friends of alcoholics. For in-person and Zoom meeting schedules, see hvai.org.

Alcoholics Anonymous, 2727 Fernwood (church annex; AA is not affiliated with any religious/political group). Meeting locator helpline: (734) 482-5700 (9 a.m.-11 p.m. daily). Office: (734) 482-0707 (Mon.-Fri. 1-6 p.m.). 12-step support groups for anyone who desires to stop drinking. Call or visit website for in-person and Zoom meeting schedule. office@hvai.org, hvai.org

Narcan availability. Narcan is a life-saving medication that rapidly reverses an opioid overdose. Free dispensers in Ann Arbor District Library branches, City Hall, Ann Arbor Fire Department stations, and Washtenaw County Health Department. Narcan is also available without a prescription at all major pharmacy chains. washtenaw.org/1837/naloxone

Narcotics Anonymous. (800) 230-4085. 12-step support group for people with substance abuse problems. Meetings every day in and around Ann Arbor. washtenaw-na@gmail.com, michigan-na.org/washtenaw-area

Trinity Health IHA Recovery Medicine, 5333 McAuley, Ypsi, ste. 5011. (734) 712-5017. Focuses on assessing, treating, counseling, and providing referrals for all addictions, including but not limited to substances such as opioids, opiates, tobacco, and alcohol. bit.ly/TrinityA2recovery

UTILITIES

AT&T. (800) 288-2020 (24 hours). Call to report downed phone lines, unburied cables, or exposed wires. To check service outages in your zip code, go to att.com/outages

City of Ann Arbor Utilities, 301 E. Huron St., 1st fl. (Larcom City Hall). (734) 794-6320. Emergencies after business hours: (734) 994-2840 (water treatment plant). Handles emergency repairs, water main breaks, sanitary sewer backups, stormwater flooding, and other issues. Call, report on the website, or use the A2 Fix It mobile app. a2gov.org/a2fixit

DTE Energy. Home power outages or downed power lines: (800) 477-4747. Natural gas emergencies, leaks, or smells: (800) 947-5000. Report service problems online at outage.dteenergy.com. Interactive outage map: outage.dteenergy.com/map

Xfinity/Comcast, 2915 Oak Valley, ste. B. (800) 934-6489. Sales, pickup, and returns for Comcast's Xfinity phone, cable television, and high-speed internet. Chat online at xfinity.com/support or schedule a callback at xfinity.com/support/schedule-callback

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